

NEWS

Ski race event slated for Feb. 20

The Grayling Recreation Authority, the governing body for Hanson Hills Recreation Area, will bolster its cross country ski race schedule this year with the Cote Dame Marie Ski Loppet — an event that will include a full day of cross country ski action for skiers of all levels.

The Cote Dame Marie Ski Loppet will include a Michigan Cup Division 30K freestyle points event race and a 15K Citizens Race Division (with both freestyle and classic categories) for those new to racing.

"We would like to capture some of Grayling's past reputation of being a major snow sport destination. Our approach is to expand the race schedule with races that not only attract the serious racers but also attract the citizen racers," said Justin Andre, executive director of Hanson Hills. **20A**

SPORTS

Vikings win one, lose one



Grayling High School's varsity boys basketball team posted one win — 76-60 vs. Boyne City on Tuesday — and one loss — 64-63 at Charlevoix on Friday — in two Lake Michigan Conference games played last week.

On Tuesday, the Vikings hosted the Boyne City Ramblers. Grayling built a steady lead throughout the contest, leading 17-13 after one quarter, 35-23 after two periods, and 60-38 after three. Grayling won by 16 points, 76-60.

"Great team effort from our kids. I thought our defensive intensity was very good and we were able to establish the tempo of the game in the first quarter," Coach Rich Moffit said. **12A**

Wrestlers reach 10-0 league mark



The Grayling Vikings finished their 2009-2010 conference wrestling schedule with a 70-0 victory vs. Kalkaska on Thursday, giving the team a 10-0 league record going into this weekend's Lake Michigan Conference championship tournament.

League record and placement during Saturday's tournament — slated for 10 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 6, at Boyne City — both factor into determining the league champion.

On Thursday night, the Vikings defeated Kalkaska 70-0 and Forest Area (non-conference) 72-3 in a meet held at Kalkaska. **14A**

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Crawford County Air Terminal open for pilots, transient business

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

The skies the limit for the economic benefit the Crawford County Air Terminal will have on bringing in business, tourism and dollars into the community.

The Crawford County Air Terminal is located just north of the Grayling Army Airfield on land owned by the State of Michigan. The Grayling Army Airfield is on property owned by the federal government.

Under direction of the late Col. Dennis Hull, a former Camp

Grayling Post Commander, Camp Grayling officials began working to develop the air terminal with Crawford County leaders. The terminal will allow civilian pilots more ease in accessing the airport and their airplanes in case the Grayling Army Airfield goes under a security lockdown. Civilian air traffic will also not interfere with military aircraft operations.

The air terminal was opened to pilots when the Crawford County Board of Commissioners signed a lease with the Department of Veterans and Military Affairs in

January.

Stan Prevost, chairman of Crawford County Airport Board, said the air terminal would give the local economy a \$500,000 shot in the arm. With the projection that two hangars will be leased for an average of four-day stays throughout the year, Prevost said passengers on those planes would also be renting cars, hotel rooms, buying food, hiring river guides for trout fishing and renting snowmobile and ORVs.

"That's the the real promise of this facility is capitalizing on the opportunities that are peculiar to

this area," Prevost said.

In addition, the air terminal is being marketed to five dozen flight charter services who can bring people to Grayling for tourism and recreational opportunities such as riding ORVs and snowmobiling, then travel to their next destination or home rather than hauling equipment up from downstate.

"They can just hop in a airplane, fly up here, rent those things, go out to play for several days, hop back in the airplane and go back," Prevost said.

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WAX ECSTATIC

The Grayling High School ski team waxed and sharpened skis on Friday, Jan. 29, at Hanson Hills to raise money to buy equipment and new ski coats for the program. In addition, the ski team is hosting a pancake breakfast at 8 a.m. on Sunday, Feb. 7, at Hanson Hills to raise money. The breakfast is being held in conjunction with Hanson Hills' Winter Fun Days. Above, Mike Olson takes a break from working on a set of skis to give a thumbs up to those who took part in the fund-raiser.

Photo courtesy of Joni Duncel

USDA Rural Development grant used to buy vehicles

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

South Branch Township recently received two vehicles that will help when responding to emergencies and taking care of township business.

South Branch Township received two grants from the USDA Rural Development totaling \$17,000 for an emergency command vehicle and general purpose township vehicle, which will serve 1,842 rural residents.

The USDA Rural Development's mission is to deliver programs in a way that will support increasing economic opportunity and improve the quality of life of rural residents. As a venture capital entity, Rural Development provides equity, liquidity and technical assistance to finance and foster growth in homeownership, business development and critical community and technology infrastructure.

"These grants illustrates how USDA Rural Development is helping to enhance public safety

in northern Michigan," said James J. Turner, the USDA Rural Development director for Michigan.

A pickup was purchased with the grant that will be used by people wearing several hats for the township, said Laurie Luck, the South Branch Township Supervisor.

The truck will be used by the zoning administrator, cemetery sexton, tax assessor and township board members when they have to attend meetings or go to a training session.

Luck said the truck will help with the township's budget since the state and federal government has set the reimbursement for mileage for personal travel at 50 cents a mile.

Luck said the command vehicle for the South Branch Township Fire Department and EMS will also be used by firefighters when they attend training, some of which takes place in Marquette.

"That's quite a hike so they

will use the command vehicle when they go up there," Luck said.

In addition, South Branch Fire and EMS Chief Ernie Windolph said the command vehicle can be first to respond to an accident with emergency responders, equipment and supplies. Responders will be able to check vital signs and prepare accident victims to be transported to the hospital with medical supplies and equipment in the vehicle.

"If I am going to a meeting or am away from the station, I can go directly to scene because this vehicle has all supplies that are on an ambulance," Windolph said.

Windolph added that the vehicle could be used to set up a command post for a national or township disaster such as a forest fire to help guide emergency responders and equipment.

Windolph said the command vehicle replaces a former police cruiser that the fire department had about a dozen years ago to accomplish similar tasks.

GHS band student seeks funds for Australia trip

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

A sole student from the Grayling High School band student is tooting his horn and sounding his drum to raise funds to go with the Lions Club All-State Band to Australia.

Robert Stott is beginning his fund raising effort to raise the hefty price tag of \$3,998, which will allow him travel with the Lions of Michigan All State Band to Sydney, Australia.

This is the second year that Stott is taking part in the Lions of Michigan All State Band trip. Last year, he was among five Grayling High School band students who traveled to the Lions Club's International Convention in Minneapolis.

Each year, from 1948 to 1977, a high school band was selected to represent the Lions of Michigan in the annual parade at their international convention. In 1978, an all-state band was organized to honor and play for the incoming Lions International President from Michigan. The Lions All State Band was created and has appeared annually at conventions ever since.

Students from over 300 Michigan high schools and communities have participated in the band since its inception. The band averages 100 to 120 students.

Over the past year, Stott has been through some significant changes as far as his musical pursuits, family life and involvement in the community.


First, he was able to convince Grayling High Band Director Matt Bishop to allow him to switch from playing trumpet to baritone. Stott said there were nine trumpeters filling slots in this year's band, which allowed him to realize a goal to play the baritone.

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Photo by Dan Sanderson


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GHS band student seeks funds for Australia trip

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"I like playing the baritone better and I thought it would be better for the band," Stott said.

Stott was also encouraged by Bob Gingerich, president of the Lions Club of Grayling, to join the organization. Stott serves as the media chairman for the Lions Club of Grayling and is also serving as the assistant tale twister, a Lion's member who collects fines from members who fail to wear their Lions Club pins to meetings, dislikes something about a person's apparel or look that day.

"The motto for the Lions Club is we serve and that is what we do," Stott said.

Finally, Stott moved in with Grayling Lioness Club member Clarine Jorella to avoid the cost of traveling to his family home in Lovells and managing his time with community organizations.

"I'm so involved in community organizations, I have to stay in town all the time and I'm always doing stuff," he said.

The Lions Club of Grayling meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. on the first and third Wednesdays of the month at the St. Francis Episcopal Church.

A Valentine's Day Brunch will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 14, at the American Legion to help pay for Stott's trip to the Down Under.

Stott has been blanketing businesses and organizations in the community, seeking donations. Besides baby-sitting for his sister in Gaylord, Stott said most of his funds go toward his living expenses. He added that it is not feasible to expect his parents to help fund the trip since his mother, Sandra Stott, is recovering from breast cancer. His father, Robert Stott, is the maintenance supervisor for Warbler's Hideaway Association and the assistant Lovells Township Fire Chief, is laid off during the winter months.

Stott said he was the only male member of a Relay for Life Team called "Girls

Against Cancer," which was spearheaded by Jackie Riddle. Stott wore a T-shirt with his mother's name on the back when he walked with the team.

"My mom was too sick to go, so I went for her," he said.

Stott said he is the only band student from Grayling and the entire district for the Lions of Michigan All State Band because of the sticker shock for the trip.

"As soon as they see the price tag, they back away," Stott said. "I don't give up on trying to do what I want to do, and if I want to do it, I make sure I do everything that's possible."

The trip to Australia is from June 21 to July 3. Stott plans on working at Cedar Point after his high school graduation, then will attend Lorain Community College to study business administration and management.

Donations can be sent to 5730 Executive Drive, Lansing, MI 48911, with Stott's name written on the check or letter sent with the donation.

Man pleads to break-in of restaurant before jury trial

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

A 39-year-old Grayling man faces a minimum of just under three years in prison for breaking into a local restaurant while on a drunken crime spree.

William Victor Zimmer Jr. plead no contest in Crawford County Circuit Court on Wednesday, Jan. 27, to a charge of breaking and entering with intent.

Zimmer was scheduled for a jury trial on Thursday, Jan. 28.

Zimmer broke into the Ted's Canadian Steak and Fish on April 9, 2009.

Zimmer broke a window to gain access to the building. He also tried to enter the office of the restaurant, but when he could not get the door open, broke two other windows in the rear of the building.

Carol Carney, the owner of the restaurant, said Zimmer took three bottles of liquor and about \$8 in change from the restaurant's cash register.

Carney estimated that the restaurant incurred about \$2,000 in damages from the broken windows and the food which had to be discarded in areas where the windows were broken.

In a plea agreement with the Crawford County Prosecutor's Office, Zimmer will face a minimum of 34 months in prison. The charge carries a maximum of 10 years in prison. In addition, prosecutors agreed not to seek additional charges for crimes Zimmer is accused of committing on the night of the breaking and entering.

Crawford County Central Dispatch received a 911 call

from Kay Ellen King, who lives on Golfview Drive in the City of Grayling, at 3:20 a.m. on Thursday, April 9. King reported that a male subject had entered the garage area of her home and entered her vehicle parked in her driveway.

King, whose bedroom is above her garage, was awakened when she heard her garage door opening and closing. She looked down into the garage, but could not see anyone through the darkness. King has a remote garage door opener in her car.

King said she went to retrieve the keys from her car and noticed that someone had been smoking in the vehicle though she is not a smoker. Her remote garage door opener was also in the car. Then she saw a man smoking while walking down Golfview Drive and called 911.

The Grayling City Police responded to the scene and investigated the complaint. Former Grayling City Police Officer Mike Gammicchia gave a description of the suspect to Crawford County Sheriff's Deputies and Troopers from the Houghton Lake Post of the Michigan State Police, who assisted in searching the area.

Officers made contact with a male subject matching the suspect's description walking along the I-75 Business Loop. After questioning, Zimmer admitted to entering King's vehicle and residence and was taken into custody.

46th Trial Court Judge Janet M. Allen allowed Zimmer to plead no contest to the charge since he does not recall much from the night the crimes occurred. She said police reports and lab reports from the Michigan State Police Crime Lab formed a basis for Zimmer's plea.

Zimmer said he recalled purchasing some beer at 7-Eleven, then said the rest of the night was "pretty much a blur" until he was booked into the Crawford County Jail. Crawford County Assistant Prosecutor Don Sommerfeld said Zimmer's blood alcohol level was .17, over two times the legal limit of .08 for impaired driving.

Zimmer will be sentenced at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 16.



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Air Terminal open for pilots, transient business

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Prevost is a retired engineer, who has been a pilot and flight instructor for 10 years. His primary residence is in Huntsville, Ala., with his wife, Jane Prevost. The couple spends more time in Crawford County, where Jane inherited a home on the AuSable River, which was built by her late parents, Beth and Harry Fisher.

Prevost became involved in helping the air terminal transition forward last year.

The terminal building features a lobby, where pilots can come in and close out their flight plans over the telephone or with a radio. A small conference room is used for education classes for the Civil Air Patrol, an auxiliary program used for the U.S. Air Force, which conducts search and rescue for downed aircraft. The conference room is also available for use by the public for a nominal charge.

The terminal includes a lounge, where pilots can rest and have meals during

a layover during a long flight. It also features a room where a flight instructor can teach potential pilots and another room where pilots can file their flight plans with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and gather flight and weather information.

A parking area for air planes includes five tie down spots, where airplanes can be kept for short periods of time. The tie downs are not used during the winter months because they get iced over.

"We have a pretty complete facilities in terms of things that pilots need that we've never had at this airport before," Prevost said. "This is a big step."

Half of eight hangars on the facility are being reserved for long-term leases to local pilots. The county already has commitments for some of the hangar spaces.

Lock boxes are available for transient pilots to access keys to hangar buildings, deposit their

rental money and rental forms for the days they will use the hangars.

The Crawford County Air Terminal has already been approved for a FAA airport and improvement fund grant to have a fuel farm, which will provide both aviation fuel and jet fuel for planes. The fuel farm will be in place in late 2010 or early 2011. Next, the terminal will receive eight additional hangars in 2012.

Prevost said there has been some interest in building box hangars at the terminal, which could be used by a fixed based operator or airplane mechanic, or for freight and parcel delivery companies.

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners gave the Crawford County Airport Board \$45,000 to get the air terminal up and running.

FAA airport improvement funds have been used to develop to fund the air

terminal and Camp Grayling troops have helped build and develop the facilities as part of their training.

Maj. Jim Robson, facilities engineer for Camp Grayling, said having the Crawford County Air Terminal located north of the main airfield allows pilots access to the two 5,000 foot runways and utilize an air control tower when they are landing and taking off. Further, Robson said moving the air terminal segregates the civilian pilots and their planes from where troop barracks and operations buildings are located, making it more of a community asset.

"It's a community asset that's been way underutilized, but there's always been that relationship between the civilian terminal and the airfield," Robson said.


The website for the Crawford County Air Terminal is: www.ccat.net.

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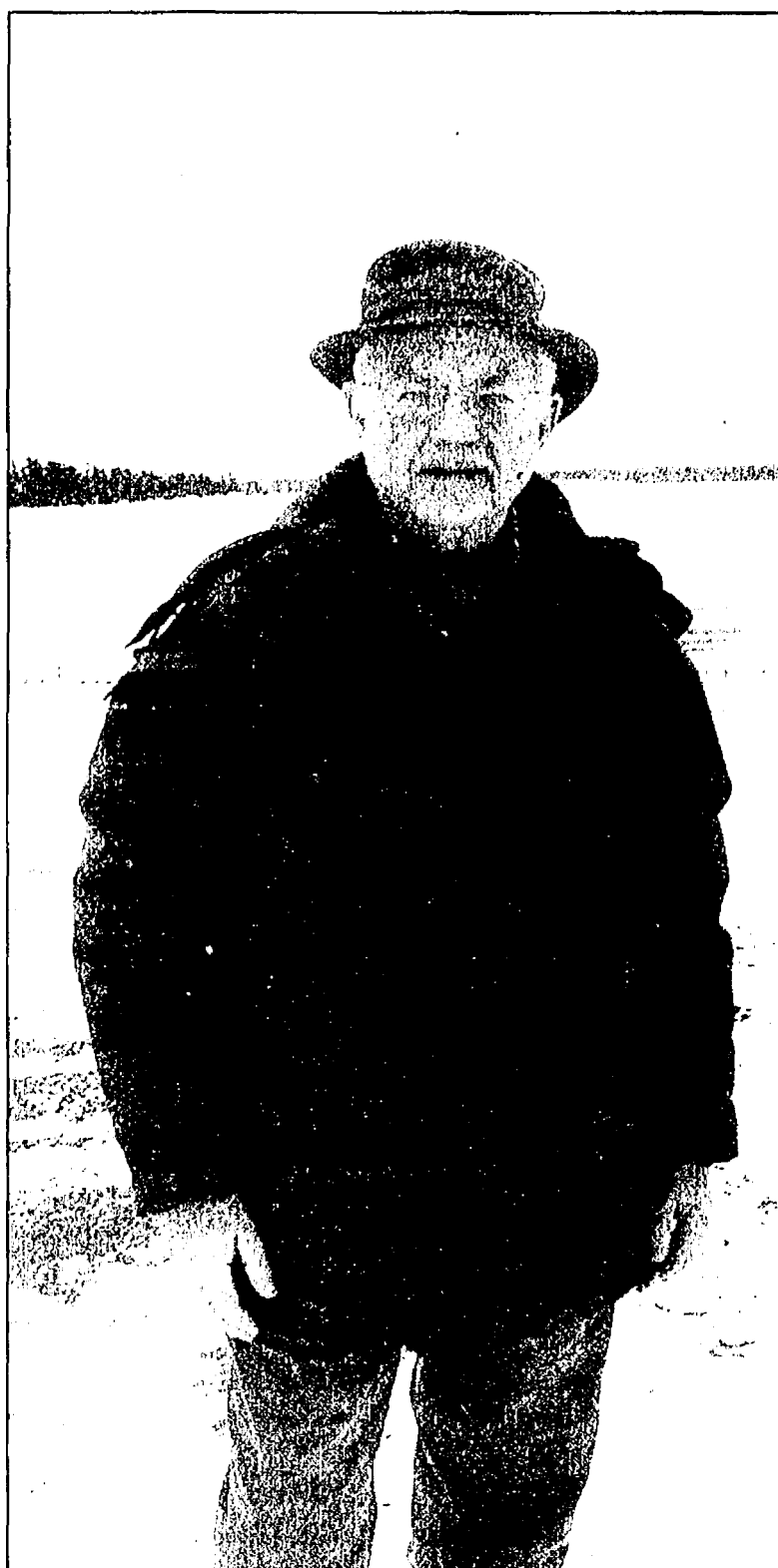


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The Crawford County air terminal was opened to pilots when the Crawford County Board of Commissioners signed a lease with the Department of Veterans and Military Affairs in January. Above, Stan Prevost, chairman of Crawford County Airport Board, said the air terminal would give the local economy a \$500,000 shot in the arm.

Meeting slated for skate boarders

There will be an organizational meeting next week for all individuals wishing to discuss the creation of a skate board facility to be located in Grayling.

The meeting will be held at 6 p.m. on Wednesday,

Feb. 10, at the Hanson Hills Recreation Center.

All persons interested are urged to attend.

For further information, contact Mike Shearer at 348-2083.

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Overusing toothpaste and brushing too hard are common pitfalls among younger children. Parents with children under 6 years of age should brush their child's teeth because young children lack the manual dexterity required to brush teeth effectively.

Recent statistics point out that up to 73 percent of children use too much toothpaste. A pea-size amount of toothpaste is optimal since large amounts create foam and make it difficult for children to brush. Also, children should be taught to spit out toothpaste because habitually swallow-

ing it can lead to a condition known as fluorosis in which spots caused by too much fluoride may appear on their teeth.

Brushing too hard can push the gums up and pose problems in preventing tooth decay. Since tooth decay occurs faster in children, parents need to take precautions to protect their youngsters' beautiful smiles.

Parents should also remember to put mouthwashes in a safe place. Children are easily attracted to minty smells and colorful mouthwash. The alcohol in mouthwashes

can be harmful to children.

By playing a positive, active role in children's tooth brushing, parents are encouraging children to learn good habits and maintain good dental hygiene. To make the experience enjoyable, here are some tips:

- Place a proper "step-up stand" that allows the child to look over the sink counter.
- Allow the child to choose his/her toothbrush, especially for colors and/or themes.
- Select a toothbrush that has soft bristles - a hard toothbrush can cause gums to bleed.

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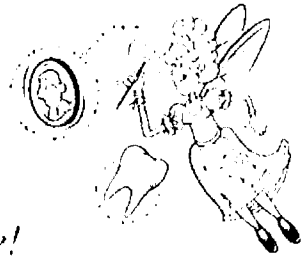
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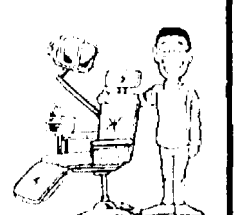
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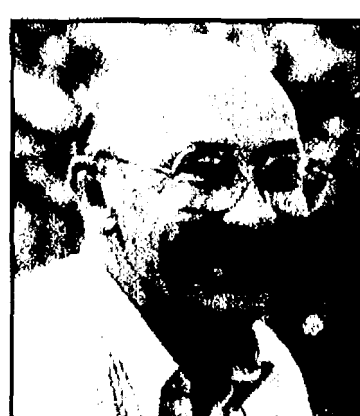
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Almanack

by Richard Milliman

Governor, other politicians ignore press

THE MICHIGAN Press Association, the professional and trade group which counts more than 300 Michigan newspapers, both dailies and weeklies, among its membership, every winter invites Michigan's governor to address its annual convention. The 2010 version met last weekend.

Over the years, most governors have seemed happy to show up, often to try out ideas for their annual State of the State address to the legislature and the Michigan public, which usually closely follows the MPA conference.

This year, Gov. Jennifer Granholm took a pass, explaining that the timing was too near State of the State time. For six of her first seven years in office, she had spoken to MPA conventions.

On the same day the MPA opened its 2010 convention, Gov. Granholm appeared this year before the Lansing Rotary Club and unloaded a bagful of proposals she expects to offer during her last year as governor.

These included plans to reduce the public payroll by luring state workers and local school employ-

ees into early retirement, hike employee share of health-care costs, end lifetime health care for legislators, push early release for some state prison inmates, set a two-year budget cycle, audit state contracts and review all tax exemptions each two years, require all new laws that spend tax dollars to include ways to pay the bill, devise a single health care plan for public employees at all levels, end legal immunity for drug companies, permit absentee voting for any reason and streamline election practices, tighten ethics standards for public officials, better regulate corporate campaign spending.

Whew! That's quite an ambitious agenda for a final-term governor, without even touching spending and revenue programs tied dictated by a \$1.6 billion or so budget deficit already on the horizon.

One lesson to be learned from this set of events is that maybe because Gov. Granholm is in her final lap as governor, she doesn't feel any need to buddy up with newspaper people anymore.

On the other hand, maybe the governor feels that Lansing Rotarians provide a more receptive audience for her ideas than she would find among newspaper folks.

There's one other possibility: Maybe newspapers these days aren't as important as they used to be and still think they are.

WITHOUT ITS usual mini governor's message, the MPA settled instead for a multi-party gubernatorial candidate panel, which apparently turned out fine for all concerned.

Four of the top five announced and active Republican candidates for governor attended: US Rep. Peter Hoekstra of Holland, Oakland Sheriff Mike Bouchard, State Sen. Tom George of Kalamazoo, and businessman Rick Snyder of Ann Arbor.

Atty. Gen. Mike Cox, the front running Republican candidate at this point, declined.

Sharing the platform was State Rep. Alma Wheeler Smith of Ann Arbor, the lone avowed and openly running Democratic candidate

now that Lt. Gov. John Cherry has dropped out of the race and nobody else has officially jumped in.

Invitations also went to three other potential Democratic candidates, all of whom have named exploratory committees to help them determine if they will run. House Speaker Andy Dillon, Lansing Mayor Virgil Bernero and University of Michigan Regent and Detroit business woman Denise Ilitch all declined or ignored the invitation.

Former Genesee County Treasurer Dan Kildee, who is openly pondering the race, was not invited.

Although I have attended dozens of MPA conventions over the past few decades, I missed this one. My sampling of several sources who did hear the panel all expressed positive feedback about one or more of the five potential governors, but were not blown out of their seats by any of them and no bombshell positions were disclosed.

An interesting sidelight is that all but one of those on the MPA

panel — plus three of the four who declined the invitation — already are on a public payroll as they campaign. The exceptions are Republican Rick Snyder and Democrat Denise Ilitch, both of whom are involved in the private sector.

HOW DO the candidates, both avowed and potential, stack up at this time?

According to a recent poll of potential primary voters, Mike Cox leads Republicans with 32 percent, Peter Hoekstra at 25 percent, Mike Bouchard at 16 percent, with Rick Snyder and Tom George trailing.

Among Democrats, Denise Ilitch leads with 23 percent, Andy Dillon at 8 percent and Virg Bernero at 5 percent. Alma Wheeler Smith was not mentioned in any of the three news stories I read about these poll results.

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Washington Notes

By Carl Levin, U.S. Senator (D-Michigan)

A year of progress, but more work to do

We have just ended what ranks as perhaps the most difficult and challenging year for Michigan, and our nation, since I came to the Senate. We began 2009 facing deep uncertainty over the fate of the domestic auto industry. Michigan families already were hurting and faced the prospect of more pain.

Without question, we've been through a tough 12 months. Unemployment in Michigan and across the nation continues at extremely high levels. Thousands of Michiganders have lost their homes.

But I also see reasons for optimism. Our automakers, though still challenged, are now in a position to compete worldwide. We're positioned to prosper through revolutionary advances in alternative energy, from auto batteries to wind power to fuel from our fields and forests.

We began the year by passing the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act, legislation that made a crucial impact in softening the blow of this recession. More than \$10 billion in Recovery Act funding has provided the state with extended unemployment benefits, support to state and local governments, and money for scores of infrastructure projects and other important needs.

On autos, the Michigan delegation worked closely with the White House Auto Task Force, and GM and Chrysler to ensure that each company was able to develop a workable restructuring

plan. While the restructuring involved a huge amount of pain, we worked hard to minimize the hardship for Michigan workers and families.

We also secured \$2 billion in the Recovery Act for grants to U.S. manufacturers of advanced battery systems and components, \$1.3 billion of which was awarded to Michigan-based companies and projects.

Consumers won an important victory in May, when the president signed the Credit Card Accountability, Responsibility, and Disclosure Act of 2009. The bill, based on legislation I introduced in 2007, curbs abuses such as retroactive interest rate hikes and charging interest on debt paid on time.

And Congress approved plans to expand and help preserve portions of Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore and Keweenaw National Historic Park in the Upper Peninsula, designate the historic War of 1812 battlefield on the River Raisin near Monroe as a national battlefield park, and secure \$475 million for a Great Lakes restoration initiative.

At the end of the year, the Senate approved historic legislation to reform our health care system. Though no legislation on such a complex topic will be perfect, I am optimistic that we will soon send the president a final piece of legislation that is a historic step toward providing affordable, secure health care for almost all Americans.

On the Senate Armed

Services Committee, which I chair, much of our attention has focused on the war in Afghanistan. Now that the president has ordered additional combat deployments, I have urged him, and will continue to urge him, to make the development of Afghan forces our primary mission.

On another longtime priority of mine, Congress passed the Weapons Systems Acquisition Reform Act of 2009, which I authored with Sen. John McCain. The legislation takes important steps to prevent cost overruns and eliminate programs with out-of-control costs.

So we made some progress in 2009, despite the negative economic climate that so pervaded the year. Let me close by outlining my hopes for 2010.

First, we can promote job creation quickly and strongly. I am hopeful Congress can act early this year on legislation to boost job creation. And I hope we can approve strong, comprehensive legislation to reform the excesses in our financial system that helped bring about the economic crisis.

We must also be vigilant in protecting our Great Lakes, including urgent action to prevent Asian carp from entering the lakes. I and other Great Lakes lawmakers are urging additional emergency action to stop the spread of these invasive fish.

I'm optimistic about Michigan's future, despite the great challenges we face.

Carl Levin is the senior U.S. senator from Michigan.

What Do You Think?

Join in the discussion online. The Crawford County Avalanche welcomes its readers to comment on news, features, and opinion articles — including letters to the editor and Richard Milliman's weekly Almanack column — on our Internet site at www.crawfordcountyavalanche.com.

To express an opinion on a news, feature, or op-ed article, click on a story and scroll down to the "What do you think?" header (it's highlighted with a red color bar). Fill in your name and type your comments in the area provided, and click the "Post Comment" icon when finished. Existing comments are listed between the "What do you think?" header and the area to post new comments. Readers are also welcome to respond to comments posted by other readers.

All comments are subject to approval by Crawford County Avalanche management prior to publication on our Internet site. Comments are limited to 200 words.

Recent editions of the Avalanche have generated the following responses:

5 blogs on this article: "A 20-year-old Grayling man faces felony charges for allegedly falling asleep at the wheel and driving into an optometrist office on Saturday. The driver was taken into custody and charged with failure to report an accident, driving while license suspended-third offense and reckless driving."

20 blogs on this article: "The Grayling City Council gave the city manager a pay hike last week to send a message that it is behind the community's current administration. During a regular monthly meeting held last week, the city council went into a two-hour closed session to continue the evaluation of Grayling City Manager David Thayer's job performance. The outcome of the evaluation was their united conclusion that Thayer was the best person to continue leading the city in implementing the council's policies and achieving their goals during these troubling times. The council believes that working as a team with Thayer's leadership, it will enable the city to address some major issues before them and hopefully bring some historic developments to Grayling."

8 blogs on this article: "A trio of experts will testify at an upcoming hearing in Crawford County District Court to determine whether two pit bulls will get the doggy death penalty or be reunited with their owners. Crawford County Chief District/Probate Court Judge Monte J. Burmeister scheduled an evidentiary hearing for 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 24, to determine the ultimate fate of Shelby and Riley, a pair of pit bulls owned by Dawn and Ken Minard. The pit bulls have been held at the AuSable Valley Animal Shelter for the last 14 months at the expense of Crawford County taxpayers."



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AVALANCHE DEADLINES

Community Briefs items submitted to the Crawford County Avalanche must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in that week's issue.

Photographs must be turned in to the office by noon on Friday for consideration in the next issue. **News items and letters** should be submitted on 8 1/2-x-11 inch paper, typed, and double-spaced. Handwritten items must also have ample space between each line; on lined paper use every other

line. **Classified ads** by the word must be turned in by Tuesday noon and have to be paid for in advance or they will not be published.

Classified display ads must be turned in by Monday noon.

Full page, half page, or color display ads must be turned in by Thursday at 5 p.m.

The deadline for all display ads smaller than a half page is Friday at 5 p.m.

Briefs

Sheriff to attend township meeting

Sheriff Kirk Wakefield will attend the Grayling Township meeting on Monday, Feb. 8, at 7 p.m. He will be there throughout the meeting, and if necessary, remain afterwards for additional questions or comments.

CCUW to host Sock-Hop

The Crawford County United Way will host a 50-60s Sock-Hop featuring The Wise Guys on Feb. 6, at 6:30 p.m. at the Red Barn, M-72 west. \$10 includes hors' d'oeuvres. Proceeds will benefit Crawford County allocations for non-profit agencies and special projects.

Health Dept. to offer H1N1 shots

The health department has H1N1 flu vaccines still available. Call the health department at 989-348-7800 for an appointment.

Legion Auxiliary to hold meeting

The American Legion Auxiliary meeting will be held at 2 p.m., on Wednesday, Feb. 10, at the American Legion Hall.

VFW Post #3736 to hold meeting

The VFW Post #3736, and the Ladies Auxiliary, will hold their meeting on Feb. 9, at 7 p.m. at the American Legion Hall.

CASA holds spring soccer registration

CASA spring soccer registration begins Feb. 1. Forms are available at the school or Express Copy Center. Open to children ages 4 and up. Call Kim with questions at 989 915-9510.

Community calendar available online

The Crawford County Avalanche has a community calendar on their new Web site. To view area happenings, or to be considered for publication of your event, go to crawfordcountyavalanche.com, click on community and go to the community calendar.

Senior Citizen News

Join us for a meal either at noon or 5 p.m. weekdays, except Friday, when there is no evening meal. Soup or salad bar served prior to the meal Monday through Thursday.

This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, Feb. 5 - Lunch-baked ham with apple glaze, winter blend vegetables, marshmallow sweet potatoes and pineapple. No Dinner. 10 a.m. card golf, 1 p.m. Pantry Bingo.

Sunday, Feb. 7 - Sunday Brunch, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, fruit salad, orange juice and milk. 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Rummage Sale.

Monday, Feb. 8 - Lunch - chicken tenders, scalloped potatoes, green beans and peaches. Dinner - spaghetti with meat sauce, wax beans, cauliflower, breadsticks and an apple. 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Rummage Sale, 9:30 a.m. Back on Duty, 1 p.m. Bridge.

Tuesday, Feb. 9 - Lunch - Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes with gravy.

Brussels sprouts and orange sections. Dinner - roast turkey, stuffing, green bean casserole, carrots and peaches. 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Rummage Sale, 10 a.m. Bible Study, 1 p.m. Euchre, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. blood pressure/sugar checks.

Wednesday, Feb. 10 - Lunch - Stuffed cabbage, mashed potatoes, cauliflower and diced pears. Birthday Dinner - BBQ chicken breast, baked potato, winter blend vegetables, peas, pineapple chunks and cake and ice cream. 10 a.m. Mahjong and line dancing, 1 p.m. pool league and Wii Bowling, 5 p.m. Birthday Dinner.

Thursday, Feb. 11 - Lunch - chicken stir-fry, brown rice, asparagus, fruit cocktail and cherry crunch pie. Dinner - pollock, baked potato, broccoli cuts and peaches. 10 a.m. craft class, 2 p.m. UNO Attack.

The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King in Grayling. Walk-ins are welcome.

Raffle Winners

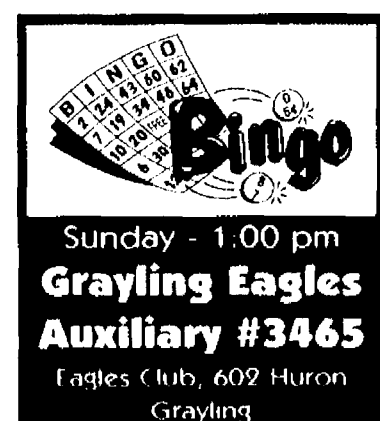
Grayling Youth Booster Club

The 50/50 raffle winners for Jan. 24 of \$25 each: Randy Blitchok, Sheri Lehman and Roger Palmer. The winners for Jan. 31 were: Judy Williamson, John Alef and Duane Brooks.

Grayling Lions Club

The winner of the Grayling Lions Club Lucky

13 raffle for Jan. 29 was Joe Merchant.



KCT busy preparing for upcoming productions

The Kirtland Community Theatre (KCT) organizers recently announced they had cast the winter production of "You Know I Can't Hear You When the Water's Running" by Robert Anderson, reportedly one of the most successful comedies in Broadway history. The one-act comedy tackles the ticklish subject of sex in a skillful, tasteful and funny way that is captivating, touching and universal in its appeal.

Cast members for the upcoming production include: Josh Jurgess of St. Helen, Jomarie Gurnow of Roscommon, Maelyn Yelland of Mio, Nick Harris of Roscommon, John Ventline of Grayling, Pat Kangas of Grayling, Jim Dawe of Mio, Sara Krohn of Houghton Lake, Jerry Werle of Roscommon and Carole Rae Phillips of Grayling. Gurnow will also direct the production.

Dinner theater performances are already scheduled for Friday and Saturday, Feb. 5-6, at the Garland Resort in Lewiston. Doors will open at 6 p.m. with a cash bar. Dinner will then be served at 6:30 p.m. and the show starts at 7 p.m.

There will also be a dinner theatre Saturday, Feb. 27, and a matinee performance Sunday, Feb. 28, at Forest Dunes near Roscommon. Doors open

at 5 p.m. for the Feb. 27 performance, with dinner served at 5:30 p.m. and the show starting at 6:30 p.m. For the matinee show Feb. 28, there will be a wine and beer tasting from 3-5 p.m., with the show starting at 5 p.m.

Ticket prices for the dinner theater productions at both Garland and Forest Dunes are \$30 per person. Tickets for the Feb. 28 matinee at Forest Dunes are \$25 per person.

And, even before the curtain falls on one show, the KCT will be holding auditions for the March production of "Death of a Salesman" by Arthur Miller on Monday and Tuesday, Jan. 25-26, at 7 p.m. in the Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts, located on Kirtland Community College's main campus near Roscommon.

There are eight male roles and five female roles available in "Death of a Salesman." The characters range in age from mid 20s to early 60s. A prepared dramatic monologue is preferred, but not required. There will also be cold readings from the script.

For information visit online www.kirtland.edu /theatre or call the KCPA Ticket Office at 989-275-6777. And for details on the auditions for "Death of a Salesman," call 989-275-5000, extension 397.

Area Events

Traverse City - Bethany Christian Services of Traverse City will present free adoption and foster care information meetings.

The meetings will be held at Bethany's Traverse City location, 1055 Carriage Hill Drive. A State Adoption/Foster Care Information Adoption

Meeting will be on Feb. 11, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., and an Intercountry Information Meeting is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. For more information or to R.S.V.P., call Bethany Christian Services at 231-995-0870 or visit the Web site at www.bethany.org/traverse.

WHAT YOU CAN EAT
FISH FRY
\$8.99 PUBLIC WELCOME
Friday, February 5, 4:30pm - 7pm
Dine In or Carry Out 348-5287

Wing Dings, Alaskan Pollack, French Fries, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw, Rolls & Butter & Dessert

Grayling Eagles
Aerie 3465
M-72 East
Grayling

Grayling Senior Center
Sunday Brunch
February 7th

Includes: Pancakes, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Fruit Salad, Coffee, Orange Juice and Milk

Cost:
Under 60 - \$4.75
60+ - \$2.50
(suggested donation)

Brunch Schedule:
1st and 3rd Sundays

All Brunches are from 9 a.m. to Noon at the Senior Center located at 308 Lawndale Street, Grayling (behind Burger King).

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200 Michigan Ave • Grayling
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989-275-3163 barb.stauffer@macd.org
- Skip's Sport Shop**
5765 West M-72 • Grayling
- South Branch Township**
5245 North M-18 • Roscommon

Helping Dialysis Patients Maintain a Full, Active Lifestyle



"The staff at Dialysis Services of Gaylord is so friendly it's a pleasure going there. It's been eight years for me and I'm still active."

— Tony Stretansky, Gaylord

Eighty-five year old Tony Stretansky is proof that dialysis allows people to live their lives to the fullest. For Tony, that meant continuing his self-sufficient lifestyle on a 27-acre island on Sage Lake in northern Lower Michigan.

In 2001, Tony had to have a knee replaced. The doctors aren't sure why, but his kidneys failed, and from that point on, he required dialysis.

For the next five years, Tony had dialysis three times a week while maintaining his self-sufficient lifestyle—living, gardening and fishing on his island.

Three years ago, Tony slipped on his dock and hurt his knee. "A week later, the doctor told me he didn't want me living on the island anymore. I decided it was time to move."

Even though he no longer has to grow his own food, Tony still gardens and still cans. "I live with a niece now and I love her to pieces," Tony said. "I have two gardens here at her place and started an orchard."

"Living with dialysis doesn't mean that you have to stop living," said Nephrologist Sudha Cherukuri, M.D. "Tony is proof that kidney problems don't have to limit your lifestyle. Tony always has a smile on his face and is very involved in maintaining his health. He eats right, takes his meds and stays active because he wants to have a good quality of life."

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Located at 1989 Walden Drive, Dialysis Services of Gaylord provides outpatient hemodialysis, pre-renal education and dietitian counseling. The 13 full- and part-time staff members at Dialysis Services of Gaylord include nurses, dialysis technicians, social workers, dietitians and ancillary staff. Patient care oversight is provided by Nephrologists Sudha Cherukuri, M.D., and Adeel Khan, M.D., medical director.

To learn more about Dialysis Services of Gaylord, call (989) 731-6418 or visit www.midmichigan.org/dialysis.

Dialysis
Services of
Gaylord, Inc.

1989 Walden Drive • Gaylord

Breakfast Buffet
Saturday, Feb. 6
9 a.m. - 11 a.m.
\$6
Kalkaska Eagles
(Old Erie's Flea Market)
M-72 WEST

The Bible Speaks

Israel Sin is Willful

We studied in Romans 10:18 how Israel rejected the witness of David. In Romans 10:19 Israel rejected the witness of Moses. In Romans 10:20 Israel rejected Isaiah's witness to the Gentiles. Now in Romans 10:21 Israel rejected Isaiah's witness to the Jews. "21But to Israel he saith, All day long I have stretched forth my hands unto a disobedient and gainsaying people." The reference is to Isaiah 65:1,2: "11 am sought of them that asked not for me; I am found of them that sought me not; I said, Behold me, behold me, unto a nation that was not called by my name, 2I have spread out my hands all the day unto a rebellious people, which walketh in a way that was not good, after their own thoughts."

First, Israel willfully rejected God's patience and longsuffering toward them: "21But to Israel he saith, All day long..." Isaiah told them in 30:9: "9That this is a rebellious people, lying children, children that will not hear the law of the LORD." He told them in Isaiah 59:2: "2But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face

from you, that he will not hear." He told them in Isaiah 66:4: "4I also will choose their delusions, and will bring their fears upon them; because when I called, none did answer; when I spake, they did not hear; but they did evil before mine eyes, and chose that in which I delighted not."

Second, Israel willfully rejected God's persistent pleas: "...I have stretched forth my hands unto..." Isaiah told them in Isaiah 65:2-4: "2I have spread out my hands all the day unto a rebellious people, which walketh in a way that was not good, after their own thoughts; 3A people that provoketh me to anger continually to my face; that sacrificeth in gardens, and burneth incense upon altars of brick; 4Which remain among the graves, and lodge in the monuments, which eat swine's flesh, and broth of abominable things is in their vessels." "24Because I have called, and ye refused; I have stretched out my hand, and no man regarded." (Proverbs 1:24).

Third, Israel willfully rejected God's love, grace and mercy: "...a disobedient and gainsaying people." Their "disobedience" was a willful act of disbelief and perversion. Their "gainsaying" was a will-

ful act of speaking against, disputing, and contradicting God's word and will. Isaiah give an example of this in Isaiah 66:3: "3He that killeth an ox is as if he slew a man; he that sacrificeth a lamb, as if he cut off a dog's neck; he that offereth an oblation, as if he offered swine's blood; he that burneth incense, as if he blessed an idol. Yea, they have chosen their own ways, and their soul delighteth in their abominations."

Gentiles are equally guilty: "21Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. 22Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, 23And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and four-footed beasts, and creeping things. 24Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts..." (Rom. 1:21-24). Pastor "B"

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Church Directory

Christian Science Society
209 First St., Suite 103 • Grayling
(989) 732-7001
Sunday Service 10:30 am
April through October
2nd & 4th Wednesday 7 pm
Sunday School 10:30 am

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church • Pastor: Dr. William A. Cargo
400 Michigan Ave. • (989) 348-2974
www.michelsonmemorial.org • Barrier Free
Traditional Service 9 am
Coffee Hour 10 am
Sunday School (preschool - 8th grade) 11 am
Adult Sunday School 10 am
Prayer & Worship Service 11 am
(Childcare Available)

Seventh Day Adventist
Pastor: David Jorgensen
(989) 348-1999 • Services held Saturday at
Camp Ausable off M-72 East (1st building
on right inside camp entrance)
Saturday Church Service 9:30 am
Saturday Sabbath School 10:30 am
Tuesday Prayer Meeting 7 pm

Lovells Community Chapel
(Bible based and non-denominational)
Pastor: Larry Hankins
8133 Bald Hill Rd. • Lovells
(989) 348-2701
Sunday School (youth & adults) 9:30 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Wed Prayer & Bible Study 7 pm

Grayling Free Methodist
Pastor: Rick Secord
6652 M-72 West • (989) 348-9093
Early Service 8:30 am
Sunday School 10 am
Morning Service 11 am
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) 7 pm

Emma Lowery United Church of Christ
3474 West Park Road, Luzerne
Sunday Worship 11 am
Adult & Youth Sunday School 9:30 am

Heritage Baptist
Pastor: Ernie Wagner • (989) 348-5558
heritagebaptist-grayling.org
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd.
(1/4 mile west of I-75)
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Afternoon Worship 12:45 pm
Wednesday 7 pm

Grayling Assembly of God
Pastor: Gary Wojcik
701 S. I-75 Business Loop
Parsonage (989) 348-3466
Sunday School 9:30 am
Morning Worship 10:30 am
Evening Service 6 pm
Family Night (Adult, Youth & Children) 7 pm

The Church of Christ with the Fulfill Message
7662 Kelly Ave., Frederic
Sunday Worship 10 am

Westminster-By-The-Lake
(First of Ralph McManis Conference Center)
Worship with an international outreach
(989) 821-9474
Sunday Worship 11 am

St. John Lutheran (ELCA)
710 Spruce Street • (989) 348-5224
Sunday School 9:15 am
Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Burning Bush Tabernacle



501 E. Michigan Ave. • Grayling •

First Baptist Church of Frederic
Pastor: Dale Hammond
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Evening Worship 6 pm
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study 7 pm

Unity Church of Tudy North
Minister: Jerry Dickinson
Virtual Church • an E-mail Bible Study
available at: tudy@freeway.net

Luzerne Baptist
Pastor: James Durfee • 2247 Durfee Lane
Sunday School 10 am
Sunday Morning Worship 11 am
Sunday Evening Worship 6 pm
Wednesday Bible Study 7 pm

Burning Bush Tabernacle
Pastor: Patricia Pettie • (989) 348-4278
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling
Sunday School 10 am
Sun. Service, Children's Church & Youth Service 11 am
Sunday Evening Service 6 pm
Monday Prayer Meeting 7 pm
Wednesday Service 7 pm
Friday Prayer Meeting 7 pm
(even transportation available)

Community of Christ
Pastor: Ann Doty • North Down River Rd. at
1630 Glen Rd. • (989) 348-9751
Church School 9:45 am
Preaching 11 am
Midweek Service (Prayer) 7 pm

St. Mary's Roman Catholic Community
Pastor: Robert W. Nalley, I.A.
Parish Office: 707 Spruce
(989) 348-7657
Saturday Evening Masses 4:30 pm
Sunday Masses 10 am

St. Francis Episcopal
Reverend: Elizabeth Chace
M-72 West • Office (989) 348-5850
Morning Prayer (Tue-Fri) 8:30 am
Eucharist (Wed) 8:30 am
Sunday Holy Eucharist 8:30 & 10:30 am

Resurrection Life Center
Pastor: Bud & Debbie Mann
Mail: 2640 M-72 West Grayling, MI 49748
reslifeccenter.com • Phone: (989) 348-1000
Sunday Service 10:30 am
Midweek Services (Wed) 7 pm
E-mail: reslifecc@reslifecc.com

Mt. Hope Lutheran Church (LCMS)
905 S. I-75 Bus Loop
(at junction of M-93 & Old 27)
(989) 348-5921
Sunday Worship Service 10:30 am
Sunday School 9:15 am

Calvary Baptist Church
Pastor: Dr. Robert Barnett
M-72 West, Grayling • (989) 348-9220
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 10:30 am
Evening Worship 6 pm
Wednesday 7 pm
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed.) 7 pm

Church of Christ
Old US-27 at Skyline Rd.
In Search of the Lord's Way Sunday Mornings on
TV 29 & 8 7:30 am
Sunday Classes 10 am
Sunday Worship 11 am
Sunday Evening 6 pm
(See Times Table for service in this church's service)
Midweek Bible Study (Wed.) 6 pm

Abundant Life Tabernacle
Pastor: Lyle Stader
211 Shellbarger St. • (989) 348-5325
Sunday School 10 am
Sunday Worship 11 am & 6 pm
Wednesday Evening 7 pm

Grayling Baptist Church
Affiliated with S.B.C.
Pastor: Fred Seidler • (765) 543-7988
705 Madsen St., Grayling • (989) 348-2557
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Evening Service 6 pm
Wednesday Service 7 pm

Bear Lake Christian
Pastor: David Rosenberg
Associate Pastor: Scott Holder
M-72 & East Bear Lake Rd.
Sunday Church Service 10 am - 6:30 pm
Sunday School 9 am
Bible Study (Wed.) 6:30 pm
Youth Group 2nd & 4th Wed. 6:30 pm

Church Alive Church of God
Pastor: David Barker
506 North Birch St., Kalkaska
(231) 288-3118
Sunday School 10 am
Worship Service 11 am & 6 pm
Family Training Hour & Prayer
(Wednesday) 7 pm

St. Martin Es. Lutheran (WELS)
Pastor: Adam Seelow
The Roscommon Community Center,
510 South St., Roscommon, MI 48653
Phone number (989) 275-3070
Sunday 9 am

Friendship Church
A Christian Reformed Ministry
Pastor: Rev. Dick Oberge
418 Ohio North, Grayling
Sunday School 9 am
Morning Worship 10 am
Tue. Women's Bible Study 10 am
Wed. Men's Bible Study Noon

Frederic Worship Center
6464 Old U.S. 27 Frederic
Pastor: Gary Thompson
(989) 422-3464 • (989) 348-5712
Sunday Service 11 am

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
President: David Stephenson
6040 North Elm Street, Grayling
Sacrament 10 am
Sunday School 10 am
Primary 11 am
Preschool Noon
Relief Society Noon

Grayling Evangelical Free Church
Pastor: Dave Schultz
6251 W. M-72 Hwy, Grayling, 989-600-1293
(Near Westside Drive)
pastordave@graylingfreechurch.org
Sunday Night Bible Study: 6:30 pm-8:30 pm
www.graylingfreechurch.org

Obituaries

Albert S. Miller

Albert S. Miller, 83, of Bay City, formerly of Saginaw, passed away on Wednesday, January 27, 2010, at Bay Medical Center.

He was born in Saginaw on May 8, 1926, the son of the late Oscar R. and Charlotte (Spencer) Miller. He graduated from both Michigan State University and University of Michigan.

He retired from Wicks Engineered Materials.

He served with the Army Air Corps as a bombardier.

He was a member of First Congregational Church in Saginaw, the Saginaw Club, the AuSable North Branch Association and the Headwaters Conservancy.

He was a history buff, especially military history and the Civil War.

He enjoyed the outdoors, especially his cabin on the north branch of the AuSable River.

A memorial service will take place at 1 p.m., Saturday, February 6, 2010 at W.L. Case and Company, 4480 Mackinaw Road.

Dr. Charles Guerrero will officiate.

Friends may call at the chapel on Saturday from 11 a.m. until the time of service.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made in Albert's name to a charity of the donor's choice. www.casefuneral-home.com.

Card of Thanks

We would like to take this time to say thank you to all of those who sent cards, made a phone call or sent food. A special thank you to our daughter, Joy and son, Jason for staying with us in the hospital.

In addition, a thank you to our other son, John and his wife, Peg for providing us with two weeks worth of meals, it was greatly appreciated.

Also, thank you to Bill for taking care of the fish shanty. Last, but not least, an immense thank you to Sister Marietta, for the prayer shawl, which is always close by. We realize that we have a long road ahead of us, but with our friends we can make it through this.

Jack and Joan Rasmussen

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District Health

District Health Department No. 10, Grayling office, has scheduled the following clinics/classes for January.

Immunization clinics: Feb. 17 and 22 by appointment. Call 989-348-7800 for an appointment.

Family planning clinic: Feb. 2, 9, 16 and 23. Call 989-348-7800 for an appointment.

WIC clinics: This program provides supplemental foods and nutrition education for eligible pregnant and breast feeding women, infants and children. Feb. 4, 11, 15, 17, 18, 22, 24 and 25. Call 989-348-7800 for an appointment.

OSHA Bloodborne Pathogen Standard Training sessions. For information, call 231-876-3839.

Breast and cervical cancer screenings are available to women ages 40-64 who have limited or no health insurance. A clinic is scheduled for Feb. 9 in Grayling. Call 989-348-7800, ext. 8042, for an appointment.

Hearing and vision screenings. This is a free program for children ages 3 through 3rd grade. Appointments are necessary. Call 989-348-7800 for an appointment.

The Crawford County branch office of District Health Department #10 is located on Meadows Drive, east of the South I-75 Business Loop, in Grayling.

Range Firing

The Range 30 Complex, located north of North Down River Rd., east of Jones Lake Rd., south of County Rd. 612, and west of Bald Hill Truck Trail, Feb. 16 and 17.

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.), Feb. 11, 12, 16, 17.

Heavy weapons range firing is scheduled from sunrise until three hours after sunset. Due to mobilizations or critical training requirements, the Post Commander may authorize mission-firing requirements beyond this time. This firing schedule is subject to change without notice to the public.

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I feel as though the sun should never shine again. Nor should flowers bloom or birds sing. Then the sun shined and I realized GOD was so happy to have you in heaven that even through the cloudy day his joy shined through. Michele, I will try to go on here without you, and do right so I may see you again. But, the loss of you has eroded a big part of me and I need GOD'S blessing to endure another minute here without you and your love.

I LOVE YOU CHELE.

Always and forever yours,
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Sheriff's Report

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 86 complaints the week of Jan 25 - Jan. 31.

One EMS response, one suicide, one natural death, 16 general non-criminal complaints, two delinquent minors, three false alarm activations, one criminal sexual conduct-sexual assault, one criminal sexual conduct first-degree

penetration object, one aggravated assault-non-family-gun, one burglary/home invasion, three larcenies, one fraud-no-account check, one damage to property, one drug/narcotic violation, one marijuana-possession, four public peace disorderlies, one health and safety, one conservation, three miscellaneous criminal offenses, one miscellaneous arrest, 23 traffic acci-

dents, two accidents-non-traffic, two hazardous conditions, three family troubles-domestic, seven suspicious situations and four driving violations/driving while license suspended.

Sheriff Wakefield asks, "Do you know where your children are? Please remember, our children are our future."

For more information, log on to www.crawford.sheriff.org.

Military News

Navy Seaman Recruit Christopher B. Juillerat, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

During the eight-week program, Juillerat completed a variety of train-

ing which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, firefighting, water safety and survival, and shipboard and aircraft safety.

An emphasis was also placed on

physical fitness.

Juillerat is the son of Karen M. and Richard R. Juillerat of Roscommon and a 2009 graduate of Houghton Lake High School.

Honors

Ferris State University

James Boylan, of Grayling, earned a position on the Dean's List at Ferris State University for the Fall 2009 semester, earning a 3.5 or better. He

is on the FSU basketball team and is the son of Jim and Cheryl Boylan.

Lake Superior State University

Mike Boylan, of Grayling, earned a position on the Dean's List at Lake

Superior State University for the fall 2009 semester, earning a 3.5 or better.

He is on the LSSU basketball team. He is the son of Jim and Cheryl Boylan.

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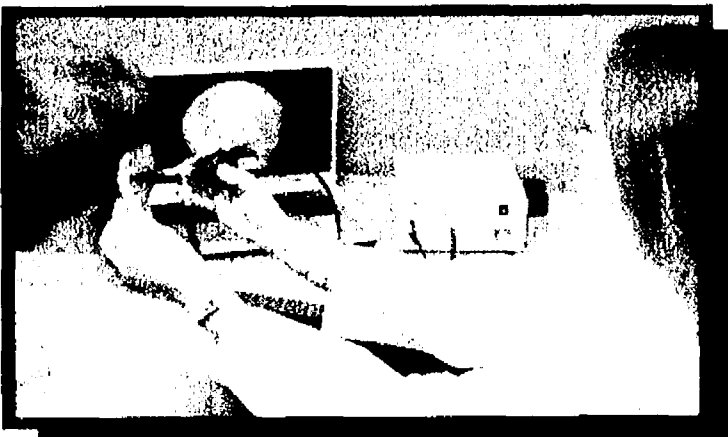
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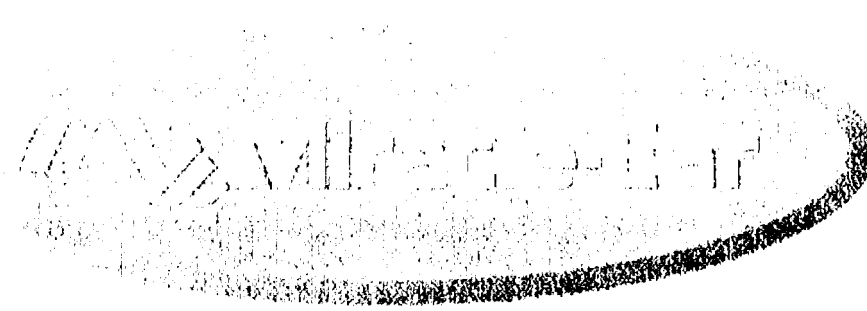
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87TH DISTRICT COURT

Sentencings for December 2009

Hon. Janet M. Allen

Juell Lavern Joseph Jr., age 22 of Frederic - Sentenced on Dec. 22, 2009, for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to serve 30 days in jail with credit for 61 days served; ordered to pay \$675 in fines or serve 60 days in jail.

Hon. Monte J. Burmeister

John Carl Mailhot II, age 29 of Clio - Sentenced on Dec. 22, 2009, for two counts of attempt flee/elude fourth-degree-vehicle code; ordered to serve 10 days in jail; ordered to pay \$1,470 in fines or serve 147 days in jail; placed on probation for 365 days.

John Leroy Wakeley, age 39 of Grayling - Sentenced on Dec. 18, 2009, for impeding traffic; ordered to pay \$117 in fines.

Donald John Hanna, age 43 of Alpena - Sentenced on Dec. 8, 2009, for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to serve five days in jail; ordered to pay \$705 in fines or serve 70 days in jail; placed on probation for 121 days.

Joel Christopher Payne, age 36 of Roscommon - Sentenced on Dec. 29, 2009, for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to serve 60 days in jail with credit for one day served; ordered to

pay \$585 in fines or serve 33 days in jail.

Jan Rosalyn Thorne, age 55 of Frederic - Sentenced on Dec. 8, 2009, for operate while visibly impaired; ordered to pay \$935 in fines or serve 93 days in jail; placed on probation for 182 days.

Jeffrey Eugene Woolsey, age 18 of Grayling - Sentenced on Dec. 8, 2009, for failure to report accident to fixtures; ordered to pay \$170 in fines or serve 17 days in jail.

Mary Anne Essmaker, age 39 of Grayling - Sentenced on Dec. 8, 2009, for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to serve three days in jail with credit for one day served; ordered to pay \$355 in fines or serve 35 days in jail; placed on probation for 35 days in jail.

Tiffany Shurie Williams, age 21 of Grayling - Sentenced on Dec. 8, 2009, for attempt-police-assault/resist/obstruct; ordered to pay \$1,045 in fines or serve 104 days in jail; placed on probation for 182 days.

Paul King Oesterle, age 39 of Northville - Sentenced on Dec. 8, 2009, for operate while intoxicated; ordered to serve seven days in jail with credit for one day served; ordered to pay \$1,435 in fines or serve 86 days in jail; placed on probation for 182 days.

Douglas Carl Barton, age 68 of Grayling - Sentenced on Dec. 8, 2009, for operate while visibly impaired; ordered to pay \$525 in fines or serve 52 days in jail; placed on probation for 121

days.

Danielle Alicesyn Fisk, age 18 of Grayling - Sentenced on Dec. 8, 2009, for operate while visibly impaired; ordered to pay \$875 in fines or serve 87 days in jail; placed on probation for 121 days.

Zachary Cunningham, age 18 of Grayling - Sentenced on Dec. 8, 2009, for person under 21 transport/possession in vehicle; ordered to pay \$730 in fines or serve 73 days in jail; placed on probation for 121 days.

Arthur Franklin Munsey, age 45 of Grayling - Sentenced on Dec. 8, 2009, for operate while visibly impaired; ordered to pay \$525 in fines; placed on probation for 121 days.

Matthew William Sharp, age 44 of Grayling - Sentenced on Dec. 8, 2009, for retail fraud-third degree; ordered to serve 15 days in jail; ordered to pay \$395 in fines or serve 39 days in jail; placed on probation for 121 days.

Jason Keith Taylor, age 27 of Roseville - Sentenced on Dec. 29, 2009, for impeding traffic; ordered to pay \$802 in fines or serve 68 days in jail; placed on probation for 364 days.

Douglas Gene Webb, age 23 of Grayling - Sentenced on Dec. 17, 2009, for license suspended/revoked-allowed another suspended person to operate; ordered to serve five days in jail with credit for five days served; ordered to pay \$355 in fines or serve 35 days in jail; placed on probation for 121 days.

Jeremiah Matthew Anderson-Bootz, age 20 of East Lansing - Sentenced

on Dec. 15, 2009, for operate while visibly impaired; ordered to serve five days in jail with credit for one day served; ordered to pay \$935 in fines or serve 88 days in jail; placed on probation for 182 days.

Andrew Lee Limmel, age 23 of Grayling - Sentenced on Dec. 15, 2009, for operate while visibly impaired; ordered to pay \$525 in fines or serve 52 days in jail; placed on probation for 121 days.

Joseph David Barnes, age 18 of Prudenville - Sentenced on Dec. 15, 2009, for stalking; ordered to serve 365 days in jail with credit for 365 days served; ordered to pay \$1,255 in fines or serve 125 days in jail; placed on probation for 182 days.

Brian Douglas Mishall, age 47 of St. Petersburg - Sentenced on Dec. 8, 2009, for controlled substance possession of marijuana and operating while intoxicated; ordered to serve 18 days in jail with credit for four days served; ordered to pay \$1,820 in fines or serve 182 days in jail; placed on probation for 364 days.

Brock Douglas Wilson, age 32 of Grayling - Sentenced on Dec. 29, 2009, for assault/assault and battery; ordered to serve 60 days in jail with credit for 60 days served; ordered to pay \$725 in fines or serve 33 days in jail.

Brittany Nicole Carney, age 18 of Grayling - Sentenced on Dec. 15, 2009, for minor-operate with any blood alcohol level; ordered to pay \$525 in fines or serve 52 days in jail; placed on probation for 121 days.

Magistrate

Camarin Talarico

Orin Judson Hanan, age 57 of Paw Paw - Sentenced on Dec. 2, 2009, for license expired; ordered to pay \$140 in fines.

Orin Judson Hanan, age 57 of Paw Paw - Sentenced on Dec. 2, 2009, for possession of road kill without permit; ordered to pay \$170 in fines.

Daniel Jess Pratt, age 36 of Gaylord - Sentenced on Dec. 22, 2009, for transport/possess untagged deer; ordered to pay \$175 in fines and \$1,000 in restitution.

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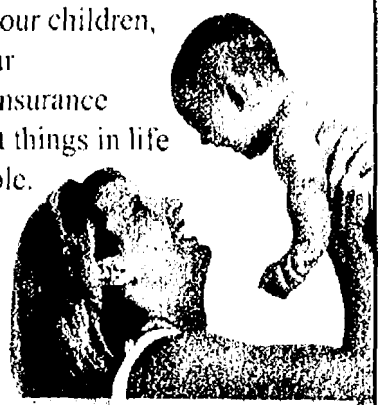
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46th Circuit Trial Court

Sentencings for December 2009

Hon. Janet M. Allen

Jerry Ronald Priesskorn, age 55 of Roscommon - Plead guilty on Nov. 2, 2009, to malicious destruction of property \$1,000-\$20,000; sentenced on Dec. 7, 2009, to serve 25 days in jail with credit for 25 days served; ordered to pay \$68 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$325 circuit court costs and \$350 attorney fee; placed on probation for 12 months.

Martin Dale Lozon, age 43 of Roscommon - Plead guilty on Nov. 2, 2009, to controlled substance possession of marijuana; sentenced on Dec. 7, 2009, to serve 270 days in jail with credit for 25 days served; ordered to pay \$53 state minimum costs, \$50 crime victim rights fee, \$325 circuit court costs and \$250 penal fine.

Joseph Edward Frost Jr., age 18 of Grayling - Plead guilty on Plead guilty on Oct. 27, 2009, to police assault cause injury; sentenced on Dec. 7, 2009, to serve 270 days in jail with credit for 116 days served; ordered to pay \$68 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$325 circuit court costs and \$346.15 restitution; placed on probation for 18 months.

Charles Lewis-M Williams, age 24 of Grayling - Plead guilty on Oct. 27, 2009, to stolen property; sentenced on Dec. 7, 2009, to serve 240 days in jail; ordered to pay \$68 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee

and \$9,554.24 restitution. Shaun Ryan Simmons, age 26 of Laingsburg - Plead no contest to malicious destruction of property over \$20,000; sentenced on Dec. 7, 2009, to serve 365 days in jail with credit for 121 days served; ordered to pay \$34,921.27 restitution, \$68 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$325 circuit court costs and \$350 attorney fee; placed on probation for 24 months.

Tony James Johnson, age 30 of Grayling - Plead guilty on Nov. 16, 2009, to controlled substance possession of marijuana and operating-license suspended/allowing another suspended person to operate-second or subsequent offense; sentenced on Dec. 21, 2009, to serve 120 days in jail with credit for 50 days served; ordered to pay \$106 state minimum costs, \$50 crime victim rights fee, \$325 circuit court costs and \$350 attorney fee.

Lawrence Avan Martin, age 56 of Detroit - Plead guilty on Nov. 16, 2009, to controlled substance possession of less than 25 grams; sentenced on Dec. 21, 2009, to serve 90 days in jail with credit for 97 days served; ordered to pay \$68 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$325 circuit court costs and \$350 attorney fee and \$250 penal fine; placed on probation for 12 months.

Juell Lavern Joseph Jr., age 25 of Frederic - Plead guilty on Nov. 16, 2009, to operating-license suspended/allowing another suspended person to operate

and failure to report accident; sentenced on Dec. 21, 2009, to serve 30 days in jail with credit for one day served; ordered to pay \$325 circuit court costs, \$50 crime victim rights fee, \$106 state minimum costs, and \$8,050.50 restitution; placed on probation for 12 months.

Hon. Dennis F. Murphy

Darci Marie Harwood, age 21 of Roscommon - Plead guilty on Dec. 10, 2009, to controlled substance delivery schedule one, two, three and for a probation violation; sentenced on Dec. 10, 2009, to serve 90 days in jail with credit for 27 days served; ordered to pay \$250 penal fine, \$350 attorney fee, \$250 circuit court costs and \$100 late fee assessment.

Bryon Michael Bowen, age 21 of Grayling - Plead guilty on Nov. 5, 2010, to breaking and entering with and intent for a probation violation; sentenced on Dec. 10, 2009, to serve two years to 10 years in prison with credit 315 days served; ordered to pay \$8,338.70 restitution, \$60 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$325 circuit court costs, \$350 attorney fee and \$159 late fee assessment.

Bryon Michael Bowen,

age 21 of Grayling - Plead guilty on Nov. 5, 2010, to assault-weapon; sentenced on Dec. 10, 2009, to serve two years to four years in prison with credit 120 days served; ordered to pay \$68 state minimum costs and \$60 crime victim rights fee.

Jeffrey Eugene Woolsey, age 18 of Winthrop Harbor - Plead guilty on Nov. 16, 2009 to financial transaction device retain without consent; sentenced on Dec. 21, 2009, to serve 270 days in jail with credit for 50 days served; ordered to pay \$1,446.41 restitution, \$68 state minimum costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$325 circuit court costs and \$350 attorney fee; placed on probation for 36 months.

Jeffrey Eugene Woolsey, age 18 of Winthrop Harbor - Plead guilty on Nov. 16, 2009 to home invasion-second degree and malicious destruction to a building between \$1,000 and \$20,000; sentenced on Dec. 21, 2009, to serve 365 days in jail with credit for 59 days served; ordered to pay \$350 attorney fee, \$325 circuit court costs, \$60 crime victim rights fee, \$136 state minimum costs and \$40,175 restitution.

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Days Inn..... 16 - 12
Grayling Nursing 14 - 14
Woody Girls, 12 - 16
Glen's Market 12 - 16
Ball Buster's..... 10 - 18
American Legion 9 - 19
High Series: M. Richardson,
567; S. Harney, 536; S.
Rozenek, 510, High Game:
M. Richardson 217; S.
Rozenek, 203; S. Harney,
187.

y Mixed Doubles

Team #10	31 - 11
Fick and Sons	31 - 11
Gray Rock	19 - 23
Spikes	17 - 25
Bloomquist	15 - 27
Shocker	13 - 29
High Series Men: R. Dent	
507; T. Sheldon, 505; C.	
Kucharek, 494. High Game	
Men: D. Morse, 204; T.	
Sheldon, 197; C. Kucharek,	
186. High Series Women: L.	
Mead, 487; J. Dent, 476; D.	
Johnson, 473. High Game	
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Johnson, 170; J. Dent, 163.

Pioneer League

Legion 18 - 6
Grayling Rest, 15 - 9
T.C. Lawncare 14 - 10
Ole Dam 14 - 10
Riverland 11 - 13
5B's 11 - 13
Tim's Collision 10 - 14
High Series: P. D'Amour,
564; L. Golnick, 546; J.
Cousins, 523. High Game:
P. D'Amour, 212; L.
Golnick, 210; J. Cousins,
197.

Senior League

Dana Transport 17 - 3
Spike's 15 - 5
Legion Lanes '13 - 7
Flowers By Josie 8 - 8
Bear's Den Pizza 9 - 11
Sylvester's Sports 8 - 12
Lone Pine 6 - 14
Gaylord Electric 4 - 15
High Series Women: C.
Wyatt, 499; N. Glasslee,
438; J. Williamson, 436.
High Game Women: J.
Williamson, 192; C. Wyatt,
179; N. Glasslee, 174. High
Series Men: J. Campbell,

507: 1 Wyott 504: K

307; L. Wyatt, 304; K. Harris, 484. High Game Men: J. Campbell, 191; G. Lake, 184; L. Wyatt, 183.

American Men's League

Thayers Crew 36 - 13
IMM. 35 - 14
Marty's Firewood . . 26 - 23
Joels Team 24 - 25
Moore's Auto 23 - 26
Primary Electric. . . 21 - 28
McLean's Ace 18 - 31
Fenton's Auto 13 - 36
High Series: J. Lehman,
650; J. Thayer, 644; P.
Benardo, Sr., 617. High
Game: P. Benardo, Sr., 253;
Lance Davis, 253; J.
Lehman, 237.

Friday Mixed Doubles

American Legion. . . 18 - 10
Hill Top 16 - 12
Dharma Music 16 - 12
L & L Hauling . . . 16 - 12
Northern Lawn. . . 14 - 14
Double Trouble . . . 13 - 15
Moshier Auto 10 - 18
Don Nester. 9 - 19
High Series Women: S.
Johnson, 534; M.
Jankowski, 510; C.

Osborne 445 High Game

Osborne, 445. High Game
Women: S. Johnson, 190;
M. Jankowski, 189; K.
Moshier, 166. High Series
Men: G. Mastroeni, 634; J.
Lehman, 613; P. Benardo,
576. High Game Men: J.
Lehman, 264, B. Harris,
227; G. Mastroeni, 224.

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Fearless	4 - 8
Snow Tops	3 - 9
High Series Women: C. Clark, 519; H. Stairs, 533; D. Hollis, 509. High Game Women: C. Clark 222; H. Stairs, 193; K. Moshier, 184. High Series Men: B. Hollis, 579; D. Canfield, 567; S. Green, 548. High Game Men: B. Hollis, 244; K. Harris, 220; S. Green, 213.	

GMS Boys Basketball



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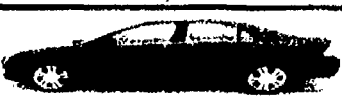

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Vikings win one, lose one in league games vs. Rayders, Ramblers

Girls basketball team falls to Charlevoix, Boyne City

Grayling High School's varsity boys basketball team posted one win – 76-60 vs. Boyne City on Tuesday – and one loss – 64-63 at Charlevoix on Friday – in two Lake Michigan Conference games played last week.

On Tuesday, the Vikings hosted the Boyne City Ramblers. Grayling built a steady lead throughout the contest, leading 17-13 after one quarter, 35-23 after two periods, and 60-38 after three. Grayling won by 16 points, 76-60.

"Great team effort from our kids. I thought our defensive intensity was very good and we were able to establish the tempo of the game in the first quarter," Coach Rich Moffit said.

Steven Enos had 27 points, seven rebounds, and four steals for GHS. Riley Zigila scored 14 points and had four steals. Colin Hamlin finished with 13 points, nine assists, six steals, and five rebounds. Zane Tobin had eight points. Griffin Dean had five rebounds and five steals. Jake Helsel had a team-high eight rebounds.

On Friday, Grayling lost by one point at Charlevoix.

The Vikings led 15-11 after one quarter. Grayling had a 33-22 advantage at halftime. The Rayders outscored Grayling 42-30 in the second half – 23-14 in the third quarter – to win the game.

"This was a heartbreaking loss for our team. I thought we outplayed Charlevoix for a majority of the game, but

free throws proved to be the difference," Coach Moffit said.

The Vikings were 16 for 29 (55 percent) from the free-throw line on Friday.

Leading scorers for GHS included: Hamlin (27), Enos (11), Helsel (7), Tobin (6), Dean (6), Zigila (6).

"After completing a brutal schedule we have a number of home games coming up and we are looking forward to putting together a string of victories," Coach Moffit said.

The Vikings (7-3 overall, 4-3 league) will host East Jordan on Friday, Feb. 5.

Grayling's varsity girls basketball team lost to Boyne City and Charlevoix last week.

The Vikings fell 38-25 vs. the visiting Boyne City Ramblers on Tuesday night.

"We have a defensive goal for the year, which is to hold our opponents to 40 points. We did a nice job of only allowing them 38 points. Our full court press was effective. We shot 62 percent from the free-throw line and continue to improve with each game. We struggled to score baskets offensively though. We got into foul

Lake Michigan Conference	
Boys Basketball	Girls Basketball
St. Francis 6-0	Kalkaska 6-0
Charlevoix 6-1	St. Francis 5-0
GRAYLING 4-3	Elk Rapids 4-3
Kalkaska 4-3	Charlevoix 4-3
Elk Rapids 3-4	Boyne City 3-4
East Jordan 2-4	East Jordan 2-4
Harbor Springs 2-5	GRAYLING 1-6
Boyne City 0-7	Harbor Springs 1-6
Last week's scores	
Grayling 76, Boyne City 60	
Charlevoix 64, Grayling 63	
Harbor Springs 78, Boyne City 60	
Charlevoix 76, Harbor Springs 46	
Kalkaska 67, Elk Rapids 52	
St. Francis 65, Elk Rapids 45	
Kalkaska 59, East Jordan 46	
Last week's scores	
Boyne City 38, Grayling 25	
Charlevoix 54, Grayling 26	
Charlevoix 65, Harbor Springs 40	
Boyne City 45, Harbor Springs 40	
Kalkaska 69, Elk Rapids 30	
Kalkaska 70, East Jordan 49	
St. Francis 53, Elk Rapids 36	

trouble and then couldn't make the easy shots," Coach Kelly Sheehan said.

Leading scorers for GHS included: Teresa Schreiber, 8 points, 3 assists; Shalee Miller, 3 points; Jo Hamlin, 3 points; Kirstie Wakeley, 3 points; Ashley Feldhauser, 2 points, 4 rebounds, 2 assists; Ann Hamlin, 2 points, 4 rebounds; Abbey Thomas, 2 points, 8 rebounds; Katlyn Myles, 2 points.

On Friday, GHS lost 54-26 vs. the Rayders at Charlevoix.

"Defensively we contained Charlevoix to their lowest score against us in three

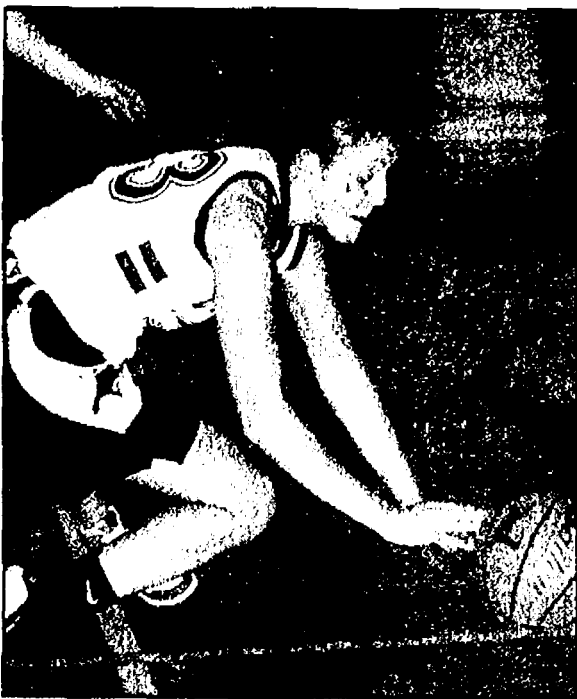
years. We slowed the game down on offense so they couldn't run on us. We played better than the final score showed," Coach Sheehan said. "Freshman Jo Hamlin had a breakout fourth quarter, scoring eight points."

Leading scorers for GHS: J. Hamlin, 8 points; Thomas, 8 points, 4 rebounds; Schreiber, 5 points, 3 steals; Feldhauser, 3 points, 4 rebounds; Myles, 2 points, 5 rebounds.

Grayling (3-10 overall, 1-6 conference) will host the East Jordan Red Devils at 6 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 5.



Riley Zigila, left, drives to the basket vs. Boyne City on Tuesday night. Ethan Lewis, right, goes up for a rebound during Tuesday's game.



Jo Hamlin, left, tries to stay upright after drawing a foul on Tuesday night vs. Boyne. Kirstie Wakeley, right, looks for an open teammate.



Team wins 10th Tip-Up Town title



A team from Grayling won its 10th consecutive Tip-Up Town softball on ice championship this past weekend, posting a 4-0 record during Saturday's one-day double elimination tournament, an event held on the ice of Houghton Lake. The team, sponsored by the RV Doctor of Grayling, included: (front, L to R) Caleb Casey, Jeremy Latuszek, John Cottenham, Mark Burk, Travis Hulbert; (back, L to R) Dale Metzger, DJ Metzger, Darrell Metzger, Tommy Pratt, Earl Fritz.

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Jeff Enos, left, drives to the basket for the Vikings on Thursday vs. Charlevoix. Thomas Burrell, right, sets up for a shot against the Rayders on Thursday night.

JV squad comes up one basket short vs. Charlevoix, Boyne City

Grayling fell to the Charlevoix Rayders in both junior varsity basketball games – boys and girls – played at Grayling High School last Thursday.

In the first contest of the JV doubleheader (girls), the Rayders defeated the Vikings 72-33.

"Charlevoix is an excellent pressing and scoring team and we did not handle the pressure well in the first quarter. The girls struggled controlling the ball. We also – for the first time this year – felt that we did not rebound well. The girls played a physical, tough team and struggled to match that physical and mental toughness. This was a good lesson in where we want to get to. I felt when we slowed down and ran an offense we did well," Coach Craig Hofman said.

Leading scorers for GHS: Hannah Haven, 12 points, 3 rebounds; Caitlin Prosser, 9

points, 7 rebounds; Josie Swander, 6 points; Madison Junttila, 2 points; Samantha Hansen, 2 points.

In the second game of the series (boys), Grayling got into a big hole early but battled back. Charlevoix eventually won by two.

"We have to find a way to win these close games," Coach Chris Kucharek said. "We have lost five games by one shot this year, including the last two games. I was proud of the way we battled our way back into this game but we must find a way to seal the victory."

Charlevoix opened the game with a 9-0 run. The Rayders led 21-9 after one quarter and 37-26 at halftime. Grayling trailed by five, 48-43, going into the fourth period.

At the fourth quarter's 1:38 mark, Thomas Burrell hit a three-pointer to cut Charlevoix's lead to two. A jump shot by Burrell at the

0:24 mark tied the game at 54-54. The Rayders answered with a jump shot, leaving eight seconds on the clock. Grayling missed a potential game-tying shot and lost by one basket.

Burrell (14 points, 13 rebounds) and Scott Parkinson (10 points, 10 rebounds, 5 steals) both finished the match with double-doubles. Ryan Randall had nine points. Devon Dawson also scored nine points. Jeff Enos had five points.

"It's not often you have one JV player with a double-double, but it was a treat to watch Thomas Burrell and Scott Parkinson earn a double-double together. Both Scott and Thomas made some big plays and at times took the game over," Coach Kucharek said.

On Monday, the JV boys basketball team played at Boyne City and lost by the

same score as on Thursday – 56-54.

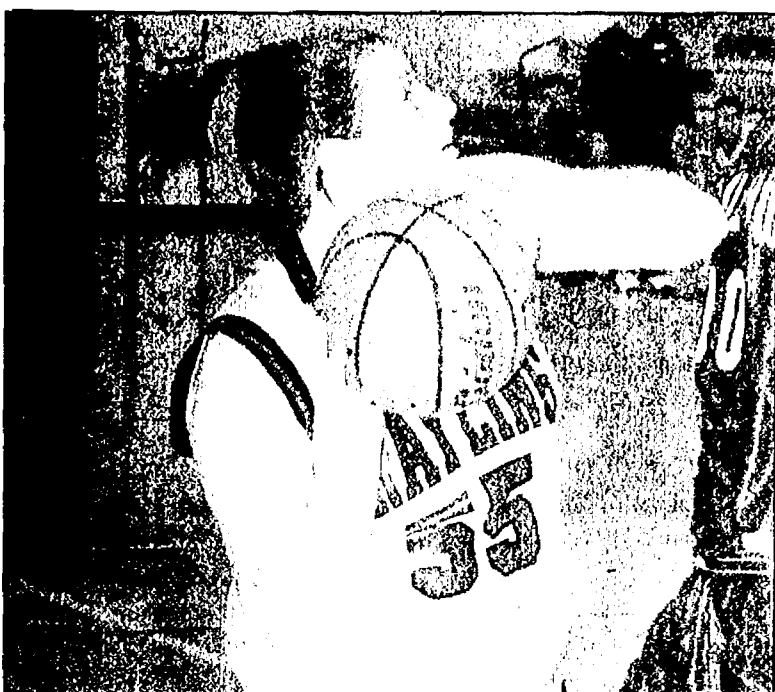
Grayling led 18-9 after one quarter. The Vikings also led at halftime (26-22) but trailed going into the fourth period (42-37).

"Once Boyne took away our transition offense we really struggled to score points. Our half court offense has to improve," Coach Kucharek said.

Leading scorers for Grayling included: Burrell, 18 points, 7 rebounds; Dawson, 14 points, 8 rebounds; Josh McBride, 9 points, 7 rebounds; Enos, 5 points; Randall, 4 points; Parkinson, 4 points.

Boyne City did not have a JV girls basketball team, so Grayling's junior varsity girls squad only played one game last week.

The two JV teams (boys, 3-7 overall; girls, 3-9 overall) will play at Harbor Springs on Monday, Feb. 8. Girls start at 6 p.m.



Myrissa Kuhn, left, shoots for Grayling's JV girls basketball squad on Thursday night. Caitlin Prosser, right, handles the ball for the Vikings during last week's game vs. the Rayders.

9th grade basketball team falls 43-34 vs. Boyne City

The GHS freshman boys basketball team lost by nine, 43-34, vs. the visiting Boyne City Ramblers last Tuesday at Grayling Middle School.

"We played with a lot of energy, especially on the defensive side. We were able to deflect many of their passes and cause them to throw the ball away. We had 18 steals as a team. The problem for us is that we did not take advantage of the opportunity. We were careless with the ball, turning it over in transition and in our sets. Our lack of presence on the defensive glass led to easy points for

them," Coach J.J. Mead said.

Leading scorers for GHS included: Mason Krey, 11 points, 5 assists, 3 steals; Louis Menard, 10 points, 8 rebounds, 2 steals, 3 blocks; Jacob Robinson, 5 points, 8 rebounds, 2 steals; Wes Dean, 4 points, 7 rebounds, 4 assists, 3 steals; Blake Hatfield, 2 points; Levi Korneli, 2 points, 4 rebounds, 2 steals, 2 blocks.

On Friday, Jan. 22, the Vikings lost 40-26 at Traverse City St. Francis.

"Our boys played hard, we just struggled to finish.

We had many opportunities, ran our offensive sets well, we just did not put the ball in the hoop. Defensively we were streaky. We played with great intensity for periods of three or four minutes. We need to get to the point where we do that for 32 minutes," Coach Mead said.

Scoring leaders for GHS: Krey (6), Dean (6), Jacob Cochrane (5), Hatfield (4), Menard (3), Robinson (2).

The Vikings will host East Jordan at Grayling Middle School on Friday, Feb. 5, at 6 p.m.

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Wrestlers reach 10-0 league mark

The Grayling Vikings finished their 2009-2010 conference wrestling schedule with a 70-0 victory vs. Kalkaska on Thursday, giving the team a 10-0 league record going into this weekend's Lake Michigan Conference championship tournament.

League record and placement during Saturday's tournament - slated for 10 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 6, at Boyne City - both factor into determining the league champion.

On Thursday night, the Vikings defeated Kalkaska 70-0 and Forest Area (non-conference) 72-3 in a meet held at Kalkaska.

On Saturday, the Vikings had six wrestlers place in the top eight at the

Northern Michigan Championships meet at Gaylord.

Placements included: (119) Cody Elmy, 8th; (125) Joe White, 5th; (135) Dan Duvall, 7th; (140) Brandon Handrich, 6th; (171) Matt Townsend, 5th; (189) Joey Contreras, 5th.

Contreras, a senior, posted his 100th career high school wrestling victory on Saturday.

The Vikings will wrestle in the LMC tournament on Saturday, Feb. 6.

On Wednesday, Feb. 10, the Vikings will wrestle against Houghton Lake at Roscommon during the District 168-3 tournament. The meet starts at 5:30 p.m. The winner will battle Roscommon or Oscoda for the district championship.



Joe Contreras, a senior, posted his 100th high school wrestling victory during Saturday's tournament at Gaylord.

Youth Wrestling

The Grayling Youth Wrestling Club wrestled at Freeland on Saturday, and 20 of the squad's 34 finished in the top four.

"We had some close matches today and could have gone either way," Coach Larry Duvall said. "All the kids wrestled well and put forth 110 percent. I can see improvement in a lot of our young wrestlers."

Placements for Grayling included: 1st - Zack

Cheney, Zachary Duncan, Jonathan Martin, Jeff Myers; 2nd - Eli Bindschatel, Ashdon Frisbie, Justin Jamison, Dakota Mansfield, Michael Phipps; 3rd - Ethan Dannenburg, Gavin Dannenburg, Logan Joseph, Riley Pippin, Austin Robison, Braeden Taylor; 4th - Taylor Crandall, Aaron Hagel, Jacob Kolka, Cameron Peterson, Travis Phipps.

Pool League

Women's Standings

Frederic Inn	136
Ole Barn	129
Ramada II	101
Gray Rock	98
Growlers	97
Ramada I	81
5 Ball Run: Erica (Growlers), Donna (Ramada Inn II), Rose (Frederic Inn), Jill (Ramada I).	
6 Ball Run: Sis (Frederic Inn).	

Men's Basketball

Standings	
GHS/GMS Staff	4-0
AuSable Eye Care	2-2

Spoke's	2-2
Northstar Carwash	0-4
Results from Sunday, Jan.	

31: AuSable Eye Care 62,	
Northstar 51; GHS/GMS 65, Spikes 64.	

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on February 24, 2010. Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 7, Block 11, Original Plat to the Village (now City) of Grayling, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 2, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL A 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 21, 2010
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Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Being part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 24, Town 25 North, Range 4 West, Beaver Creek Township, Crawford County, Michigan, described as: Commencing at the Northeast corner of said Section 24; thence South 0 degrees 56 minutes West, along Section line 1151.85 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing South 0 degrees 56 minutes West along Section line 164.55 feet; thence South 89 degrees 52 minutes West along 1/8 line 657.25 feet; thence North 0 degrees 56 minutes East 164.3 feet; thence North 89 degrees 51 minutes 40 seconds East 657.25 feet to the point of beginning. This parcel is the East 1/2 of a parcel of land described in Warranty Deed record-

ed in Liber 121, Page 355, Crawford County Records. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL A 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN 46TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT - FAMILY DIVISION CRAWFORD COUNTY PUBLICATION OF HEARING CASE NO. 08-3678-NA PETITION NO. 01

TO: Autumn Burpee

IN THE MATTER OF: Kayne McClusky, Date of Birth 10/07/2007.

A hearing regarding Termination of Parental Rights will be conducted by the court on March 3, 2010 at 1:30 pm in Crawford County Family Court before Hon. Monte J. Burmeister.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Autumn Burpee personally appear before the court at the time and place stated above.

This hearing may result in permanent termination of your parental rights over Kayne McClusky.

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate/Trust

Estate/Trust of Marvel C. Stinson, Deceased (aka: Marvel

Beth Stinson) Date of birth: 5/21/1924.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Marvel C. Stinson (aka: Marvel Beth Stinson), who lived at 1830 Island Park Drive, Grayling, Michigan, died December 24, 2009.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate/trust will be forever barred unless presented to Gain G. Stinson, Trustee of the David L. & Marvel C. Stinson Joint Trust, within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

January 22, 2010,
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STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CRAWFORD COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT

RICHARD TRUDO and TROY TRUDO, Plaintiffs, -vs-

CASE NO. 09-8043-CH
HON. DENNIS E. MURPHY

NORMAN H. REUSS and EMILY C. REUSS and SALLING HANSON COMPANY TRUST, and UNKNOWN CLAIMANTS, UNKNOWN OWNERS, and UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, SUCCESSORS and ASSIGNS, Defendants.

UAW-GM LEGAL SERVICES PLAN
BY: KATHY D. KIHATA (P41422)
Attorneys for Plaintiffs
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ORDER FOR SUBSTITUTED SERVICE

At a session of said Court, in the County of Crawford, State of Michigan this 11th day of January, 2010.

Present: HON. DENNIS E. MURPHY, CIRCUIT JUDGE

This matter has come before the Court on a Complaint to Quiet Title to property located in Crawford County filed December 28, 2009 by Richard Trudo and Troy Trudo against Norman H. Reuss, Emily C. Reuss, Salling Hanson Company Trust and others. The Court being fully advised by the Motion of Plaintiff's, attesting to the fact that Defendants Norman H. Reuss, Emily C. Reuss, and Salling Hanson Company Trust, or their claimants, owners, heirs, devisees, successors or assigns cannot be personally served with a Summons and a copy of the Complaint herein. Further, publication of notice of this action in a newspaper of general circulation and certain mailings are most likely to give notice to these Defendants and their claimants, owners, heirs, devisees, successors or assigns and it appearing to the Court that the Plaintiffs, after diligent inquiry, have been unable to ascertain the circumstances regarding these Defendants and their claimants, owners, heirs, devisees, successors or assigns either within or without the State of Michigan, except as otherwise stated in the Motion. Further appearing that personal service of the Summons and Complaint in this action cannot be made on these Defendants and their claimants, owners, heirs, devisees, successors or assigns for the above stated reasons, and that publication and certain mailings are the best means available to apprise these Defendants and their claimants, owners, heirs, devisees, successors or assigns of the pendency of this action.

ITS IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. Defendants Norman H. Reuss, Emily C. Reuss and

Salling Hanson Company Trust, or their claimants, owners, heirs, devisees, successors or assigns shall file an answer with this Court at the court's address of 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738, and shall serve a copy of such answer on Plaintiff's attorney at the above listed address or take such other action as may be permitted by law or court rule on or before March 26, 2010. Failure to comply with this Order may result in a judgment by default against Defendants Norman H. Reuss, Emily C. Reuss, and Salling Hanson Company Trust, and their claimants, owners, heirs, devisees, successors or assigns for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in this Court.

2. A copy of this Order shall be published once each week in the Crawford County Avalanche newspaper for three consecutive weeks and proof of publication shall be filed in this Court.

3. A copy of the Ex parte Motion for Substituted Service, this Order, the Affidavit in Support of Ex parte Motion for Substituted Service and the summons and complaint shall be mailed by first class ordinary mail to

(i) Norman Reuss, Jr. at 42 Ashford Lane, Colchester, VT 05446 and Jane Nelson at 2325 Elmwood SE, Grand Rapids, MI 49506 for Norman H. Reuss and Emily C. Reuss, their heirs, devisees, successors or assigns and proof of service filed with this court.

(ii) Dale Nielson at 13919 S. West Bay Shore Dr., Ste. G01, Traverse City, Michigan 49684, Ernest S. Cornwell, Jr. at 8867 Oak Meadow Drive, 22, Saginaw, MI 48609-8609 and Charles A. Coryell, Jr. at 407 Phoenix Bldg., Bay City, MI 48708-8708 for Salling Hanson Company Trust for its heirs, devisees, successors or assigns and proof of service filed with this court.

DENNIS E. MURPHY

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CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

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Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on February 17, 2010. Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 1 and East 1/2 of Lot 2, Block 1, Hadley's Amended Addition to the Village (now City) of Grayling, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 01 of Plats, Page 08, Crawford County Records.

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Dated: January 14, 2010
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Mark O. Brewster and Margaret Brewster, His Wife, original mortgagor(s), to National City Mortgage a division of National City Bank of Indiana, Mortgagee, dated November 16, 2005, and recorded on January 31, 2006 in Liber 679 on Page 658, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to US Bank National Association as Trustee as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Six Thousand Three Hundred Ninety-Eight And 09/100 Dollars (\$106,398.09), including interest at 6.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on February 24, 2010. Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford

County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 1: The East 1/2 of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4, Section 27, Town 28 North, Range 4 West.

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The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 21, 2010
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jonathan S. Higgins, aka Jonathon S. Higgins, a Single Man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 1, 2004, and recorded on March 3, 2004 in Liber 666 on Page 659, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Home Finance LLC as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-One Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty-One And 84/100 Dollars (\$41,931.84), including interest at 6.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on February 17, 2010. Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 32, Moon River Heights, Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the Recorded Plat thereof, as Recorded in Liber 02 of Plats, Page 07, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 14, 2010
For more information, please call: FC S (248) 593-1304
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File #301627F01

-14-21-28-4

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Corey R. Wykiel and Amanda Wykiel, Husband and Wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated December 11, 2006, and recorded on December 18, 2006 in Liber 684 on Page 551, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, NA as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Ninety-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-Six And 52/100 Dollars (\$197,576.52), including interest at 6.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on February 17, 2010. Said premises are situated in Township of Maple Forest, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel N: Part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 34, Town 28 North, Range 3 West, Maple Forest Township, Commencing at the Northeast corner of same and running thence South 0 degrees 17 minutes East on Section line 331.4 feet to the point of beginning; thence South 0 degrees 17 minutes East on Section line 231.4 feet; thence South 89 degrees 58 minutes West, 300 feet; thence South 0 degrees 17 minutes East 100 feet; thence South 89 degrees 58 minutes West, 1021.1 feet; thence North 0 degrees 18 minutes West on 1/8 line, 329.9 feet; thence North 89 degrees 54 minutes East 1321.2 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 14, 2010
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Laura M. Clark a single person, original mortgagor(s), to Wells Fargo Bank, NA, Mortgagee, dated October 12, 2004, and recorded on October 19, 2004 in Liber 671 on Page 956, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Four And 63/100 Dollars (\$60,664.63), including interest at 6.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on March 3, 2010. Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: All that part of the North 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 22, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, lying East of Chase Bridge Road.

Also parcel A: All that part of the North 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 23, Town 26 North Range 2 West lying Southwesterly of State Highway M-72.

Also Parcel B: Part of the

Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 23, town 26 North, Range 2 West, Grayling Township, Crawford County Michigan; Commencing at the West 1/4 corner of said Section 23, thence South 89 degrees 12 minutes East (along the East and West 1/4 line), 400 feet to the point of beginning; thence North 1 degrees 17 minutes East 165 feet; thence North 31 degrees 27 minutes West 391.05 feet; thence South 89 degrees 13 minutes East 185.5 feet to the Southwesterly right of way of M-72; thence South 41 degrees 00 minutes East (along the right of way) 664.85 feet of the East and West 1/4 line, thence North 89 degrees 12 minutes West 421.7 feet to the point of beginning, according to the Survey Recorded in Liber 183, page 266, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 28, 2010
For more information, please call: FC D (248) 593-1309
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Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Jonathan S. Higgins, aka Jonathon S. Higgins, a Single Man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 1, 2004, and recorded on March 3, 2004 in Liber 666 on Page 659, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Home Finance LLC as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-One Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty-One And 84/100 Dollars (\$41,931.84), including interest at 6.125% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on February 17, 2010. Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 32, Moon River Heights, Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the Recorded Plat thereof, as Recorded in Liber 02 of Plats, Page 07, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 14, 2010
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Noreen P. Grow and Raymond L. Grow, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated March 17, 2003, and recorded on March 24, 2003 in Liber 624 on Page 581, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to BAC Home Loans Servicing, L.P. as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Twelve Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-Three And 37/100 Dollars (\$112,623.37), including interest at 5.875% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on February 17, 2010.

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Part of Lots 59 and 60, Plat of River Forest, Being a part of Sections 28 and 29, Town 25 North, Range 2 West, South Branch Township, Crawford County Michigan, Described as: Beginning at the Northwest corner of Lot 60 of the Recorded Plat of River Forest; thence North 61 degrees 46 minutes East along the Right-Of-Way line of High Drive 186.3 feet; thence South 15 degrees 54 minutes East, 529.1 feet; thence South 60 degrees 11 minutes West 150.0 feet; thence North 19 degrees 50 minutes West along Lot line between Lots 60 and 61, 527.0 feet to the Point of Beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 14, 2010
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Mary G. Callewert, An Unmarried Woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 23, 2008, and recorded on June 27, 2008 in Liber 692 on Page 170, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-Three And 36/100 Dollars (\$97,743.36), including interest at 6.378% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on February 24, 2010. Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The North half of the North half of the Southeast 1/4

of Section 4, Town 25 North, Range 3 West, except the Southerly 1/2 of the acreage of land therein described.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 21, 2010
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Mary G. Callewert, An Unmarried Woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 23, 2008, and recorded on June 27, 2008 in Liber 692 on Page 170, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-Three And 36/100 Dollars (\$97,743.36), including interest at 6.378% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on February 24, 2010. Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: All that part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 22, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, Lying on the West side of the County Road, known as the Wakeley Road.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 21, 2010
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Timothy E. Thomas and Stacey M. Thomas, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Argent Mortgage Company, L.L.C. Mortgagee, dated April 22, 2005, and recorded on May 5, 2005 in Liber 675 on Page 302, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for the Benefit of the Certificateholders, Park Place Securities, Inc., Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2005-WC2 as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-Nine And 39/100 Dollars (\$138,299.39), including interest at 7.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on March 3, 2010.

Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The South 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 26, Town 28 North, Range 4 West.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 28, 2010
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Robert Avey, unmarried man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated January 29, 2009, and recorded on February 4, 2009 in Liber 694 on Page 522, and assigned by said Mortgagee to BAC Home Loans Servicing, L.P. as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Ninety Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Four And 50/100 Dollars (\$190,864.50), including interest at 5.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on February 24, 2010. Said premises are situated in Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The North half of the North half of the Southeast 1/4

of Section 4, Town 25 North, Range 3 West, except the Southerly 1/2 of the acreage of land therein described.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Mary G. Callewert, An Unmarried Woman, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated June 23, 2008, and recorded on June 27, 2008 in Liber 692 on Page 170, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-Three And 36/100 Dollars (\$97,743.36), including interest at 6.378% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on February 24, 2010. Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: All that part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 22, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, Lying on the West side of the County Road, known as the Wakeley Road.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 21, 2010
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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Timothy E. Thomas and Stacey M. Thomas, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Argent Mortgage Company, L.L.C. Mortgagee, dated April 22, 2005, and recorded on May 5, 2005 in Liber 675 on Page 302, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for the Benefit of the Certificateholders, Park Place Securities, Inc., Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2005-WC2 as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-Nine And 39/100 Dollars (\$138,299.39), including interest at 7.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on March 3, 2010.

Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The South 1/2 of the South 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 26, Town 28 North, Range 4 West.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be

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MORTGAGE SALE

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MORTGAGE SALE -- Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Margaret Drouillard, a single woman, Jerry Drouillard, and Shannon Drouillard, husband and wife, Mortgages, to First National Bank of America, Mortgagee, dated July 25, 2005, and recorded on August 9, 2005, in Liber 676, Page 671, Crawford County Records, and assigned to Rose Acceptance, Inc., recorded in Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which said mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Nine Thousand Three Hundred Three and 03/100 (\$9,303.03) Dollars, including interest at 12.00% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door to the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, on Wednesday, February 17, 2010, at 10:00 a.m. Said premises are situated in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, and State of Michigan and are described as:

Lot 4, Block 1, Brink's Park, according to the recorded plat thereof, Crawford County Records, C/K/a 600 Madsen St., Grayling, MI 49738. Parcel ID: 20-040-45-200-01-004-00.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 7, 2010

Rose Acceptance, Inc.
Assignee of Mortgagee

Keith A. Sotiroff, Esq.
SOTIROFF & ABRAMCZYK, P.C.
30400 Telegraph Road, Ste. 444
Bingham Farms, MI 48025-4541
(248) 642-6000

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MORTGAGE SALE

SCHNEIDERMAN & SHERMAN, P.C., IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT (248) 539-7400 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE -- Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by CHARLES W. SIMPSON, A SINGLE MAN, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), solely as nominee for lender and lender's successors and assigns, Mortgagee, dated July 26, 2006, and recorded on August 1, 2006, in Liber 682, on Page 611, and assigned by said mortgage to THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK, as assigned, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on

which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thousand Eighty-One Dollars and Seventy-Eight Cents (\$100,081.78), including interest at 7.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan, at 10:00 AM o'clock, on February 17, 2010

Said premises are located in Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:
THE SOUTH 1 / 2 OF THE NORTH 1 / 2 OF THE NORTH-EAST 1 / 2 OF THE NORTHEAST 1 / 4 OF SECTION 16, TOWN 26 NORTH, RANGE 2 WEST.

More correctly described as:

THE SOUTH 1 / 2 OF THE NORTH 1 / 2 OF THE NORTH-EAST 1 / 4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1 / 4 OF SECTION 16, TOWN 26 NORTH, RANGE 2 WEST.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 6, 2010
THE HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK
Mortgagee/Assignee

Schneiderman & Sherman, P.C.,
23938 Research Drive, Suite 300
Farmington Hills, MI 48335
-14-21-28-4

MORTGAGE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Notice is hereby given that Default has occurred in a Mortgage given by Edward W. Elford, II, a married man, Sonya K. Elford, his wife, Margaret L. Watts, a single woman, mortgagors, to Independent Mortgage Co. West MI, n/k/a Independent Mortgage Co., mortgagee. The Mortgage is dated April 28, 2006, and was recorded on May 2, 2006, in Liber 681 on page 300 of the Crawford County records. The balance owing on the Mortgage as of the date of this Notice is \$60,322.04, including interest at 5.125% per year variable. The Mortgage contains a power of sale clause and no proceedings have been instituted to recover any part of the debt owing.

The Mortgage will be foreclosed by selling the property described below at a public auction to the highest bidder. The sale will be held on Wednesday, March 3, 2010, at 10:00 a.m. local time at the main entrance to the Crawford County Court Facility, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan, that being the place of holding Circuit Court for Crawford County, Michigan. The property will be sold to pay the amount then due on the Mortgage, including interest, legal costs, attorney fees and any taxes or insurance which may be paid by the mortgagee before the

sale.

The property to be sold is located in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, Michigan and is described as:

Lot 158, Grayling Mobile Estates No. 4, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats Page 37, Crawford County Records.

The structure residing on the above described premises, consisting of a 1998 Patriot VP5975ABIN is considered real estate and is also collateral for this loan.

Commonly known as 229 Crestwood Drive, Grayling, MI tax i.d. no. 20-040-45-283-00-158-00.

The redemption period will expire six (6) months after the date of the foreclosure sale, unless the property is determined abandoned under MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period will expire 30 days after the date of the foreclosure sale, or when the time to provide notice under MCL 600.3241a(c) expires, whichever is later.

SMITH, MARTIN, POWERS & KNIER, P.C.

Dated: January 19, 2010

By:
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NOTICE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by James Roberts, a single man, to Access Mortgage and Financial, Mortgagee, dated May 27, 2003 and recorded June 18, 2003 in Liber 639, Page 468, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Fifth Third Mortgage Company by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Eighteen and 17/100 Dollars (\$59,818.17) including interest at 6.75% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on MARCH 3, 2010. Said premises are located in the Township of Beaver Creek, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at a point 452 1/2 feet West of the Southeast corner of the West 1/2 of the East 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4, Section 19, Town 25 North, Range 3 West, thence West 75 feet; thence North 300 feet; thence East 75 feet; thence South 300 feet to the point of beginning, n/k/a Lot Numbered 2, Assessor's Plat of Switzerville, according to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in Liber 4 of Plats, Page 31.

Crawford County Records. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foregoing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights. Dated: January 28, 2010 Orlans Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 248-502-1400 File No. 200.5723 ASAP# 3421649 01/28/2010, 02/04/2010, 02/11/2010, 02/18/2010 -28-4-11-18

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THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Sarah C. Pegouskie, a single woman, to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated December 19, 2007 and recorded January 2, 2008 in Liber 689, Page 769, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by Chase Home Finance LLC by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Two Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Seven and 60/100 Dollars (\$92,667.60) including interest at 6.5% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on FEBRUARY 24, 2010. Said premises are located in the Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Parcel 6-A: Part of the North one-half of Section 11, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, described as: Commencing at the West one-quarter corner of said Section 11; thence North 00 degrees 41 minutes 08 seconds East, along the West line of said Section 563.03 feet; thence North 89 degrees 29 minutes 49 seconds East, 2805.96 feet to a point of beginning; thence North 00 degrees 40 minutes 08 seconds East, parallel with the West line of said Section, 121.77 feet; thence North 89 degrees 29 minutes 49 seconds East, 792.25 feet to the Westerly right-of-way of N.Y.C. Railroad; thence South 06 degrees 55 minutes 56 seconds East, along said Westerly right-of-way, 122.52; thence South 89 degrees 29 minutes 49 seconds West, 808.46 feet to the Point of Beginning. Together with a 20 foot wide easement for ingress and egress and public utilities, lying 20 feet North of and adjacent to the Southerly line described as follows: Commencing at the West 1/4 corner of Section 11, Town 27 North, Range 4 West; thence North 00 degrees 40 minutes 08 seconds East, along the West line of said Section, 563.03 feet; thence North 89 degrees 29 minutes 49 seconds East, 2805.96 feet to the Point of Beginning of the South line of said

20 foot wide easement; thence South 89 degrees 29 minutes 49 seconds West, 467.68 feet to the centerline of Martin Drive and the Point of Ending of the South line of said 20 foot wide easement. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foregoing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights. Dated: January 21, 2010 Orlans Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 248-502-1400 File No. 310.4561 ASAP# 3407989 01/21/2010, 01/28/2010, 02/04/2010, 02/11/2010 -21-28-4-11

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE PURSUANT TO JUDGEMENT

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Pursuant to a Judgement of Foreclosure entered November 14, 2009 in ProBuild North, LLC v Terry A. Maurer and Many Ann Maurer, being Crawford County Case Number 09-8613-CH(M), of the mortgage recorded October 9, 2009 in Liber 697, Pages 658-659, Crawford County Register of Deeds, said Judgement being in favor of plaintiffs and against defendants jointly and severally in the sum of Twenty Nine Thousand Four Hundred Thirteen and 41/100 (\$29,413.41) Dollars, plus statutory interest at the rate of seven percent (7%) per annum, resulting in a total amount of Twenty Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Four and 18/100 (\$29,884.18) Dollars due and owing as of February 4, 2010, plus per diem interest accumulating at the rate of Five and 77/100 (\$5.77) Dollars for every day thereafter until the date of sale.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the hereinafter described parcel of real property will be sold at public sale, at the main entrance of the Crawford County Courthouse located at 200 Michigan Avenue in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 a.m., on March 24, 2010.

Said premises are situated in the Township of Beaver Creek, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, to wit:

Lot 35 and Lot 43 of Deerfield Estates Number 3, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Liber 4, Page 53, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale.

Dated: February 4, 2010

Kirk Yodzevicis (P61161)
Byram Harrelson Hass, PLLC
Attorneys for Mortgagee
P.O. Box 1040
Gaylord, MI 49734
(989) 732-7544 x 206

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Barbara A. Rouse and Keith H. Rouse, wife and husband, original mortgagor(s), to Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated July 18, 2005, and recorded on December 22, 2005 in Liber 679 on Page 136, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Six Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty And 68/100 Dollars (\$106,880.68), including interest at 6% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on March 3, 2010.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots number 34, 35, 36 and 37 of Block 3 of Portage Lake Park, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, Section 8, Town 26 North, Range 4 West, as recorded in Liber 1 on Page 17.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: January 28, 2010
For more information, please call:
FC D (248) 593-1309
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway,
Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #266047F02

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Notice South Branch Township Board of Review

The South Branch Township Board of Review will meet at the Township Hall, 5245 M-18, Roscommon, on the following dates:

Organizational Meeting: Tuesday, March 2, 2010, at 1 P.M.

To Hear Taxpayer Petitions: Monday, March 8, 2010, from 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. and 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.; Thursday, March 11, 2010, from 2:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. and 6:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. appeal hearings.

By Board resolution, residents are able to protest by letter, or fax (989) 275-4860, provided protest letter is received prior to close of last meeting (March 11, 2010 @ 9:00 P.M.).

Tentative ratio and the estimates multipliers for each class of real property and personal property for 2010 are as follows:

Class	Tentative Ratio	Factor
Agricultural	50.00	1.00000
Commercial	50.00	1.00000
Industrial	50.00	1.00000
Residential	50.00	1.00000

This notice is posted in compliance with PA 267 of 1976 as amended (Opening Meetings Act), MCLA41.72a(2)(3) and the American with Disabilities Act (ADA).

The South Branch Township Board will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audiotapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting to individuals with disabilities at the meetings or public hearing upon seven (7) days notice to the South Branch Township Board.

Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the South Branch Township Board by writing or calling the following:

Lynn George, Clerk / Laurie Luck, Supervisor
5245 M-18
P.O. Box 606
Roscommon, MI 48653
(989) 275-8232

Grayling Charter Township Zoning Board to hold public hearing

The Grayling Charter Township Zoning Board of Appeals will meet in public session on Tuesday, February 23rd, 2010 at 7 p.m. in the town hall to hear public comment on the following requests:

Case # PC1001 Request for lot split.
Petitioner: Harold Grifka
Address: 1710 Morrison St.
Uby, MI 48475
Local Address: 1329 E. M-72
Grayling, MI 49738
Property ID# 040-40-008-12-160-00 &
040-40-008-12-180-00
Zoning: RF - Recreation Forest
Lot size: Parcel A = 2.37-acres &
Parcel B = 2.59-acres
Request: Request to realign north/south lot line between parcels A & B, resulting in parcel A @ 100-ft. wide by 660-ft. deep, and parcel B @ 228-ft. wide by 660-ft. deep. Parcel A will have 1.51 acres and parcel B will have 3.45 acres.

Zoning Justification: Ordinance 2003-02, Article XVII, Section 17.02.F

The public is encouraged to attend this hearing.

Text and maps of requests are on file in the township offices and are available for public review during normal working hours. The Grayling Township offices and meeting room are located at 2090 Viking Way, Grayling. Questions pertaining to this request may be directed to the Grayling Township Zoning Administrator at the town hall, or by calling (989) 348-4361.

Terry Wright
Supervisor/Zoning Administrator

SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING & ANNUAL MEETING FOR GENERAL AND SPECIAL FUNDS

The South Branch Township Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed Township Budget for fiscal year 2010-2011 at South Branch Township Hall, 5245 N. M-18, Roscommon, MI 48653 on February 9th, 2010 in conjunction with the regular board meeting which will begin at 7:00 p.m. Final adoption of the 2010-2011 budget will take place during the regular meeting of March 9th, 2010 @ 7:00 p.m. The Township Annual Meeting will begin immediately after the regular scheduled meeting.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of the hearing.

A copy of the budget is available for public inspection at the South Branch Township Hall.

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Features

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A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE



February 5, 1987 - 1987 GHS varsity cheerleaders are shown here (from left to right) Erin Hickey, Patti Walsh, Shelley Brooks and mascot Sara Palmer.

23 Years Ago

February 5, 1987

Steve Southard, of Grayling, found the \$500 medallion on the fifth day of the nine day Grayling Winter Sports Carnival Medallion Hunt. The large medallion was hanging on a cedar tree overlooking the East Branch of the AuSable River in the Riverside Nature Center behind the Grayling Elementary School.

A large truck pulling a backhoe struck and damaged the southbound I-75 overpass above M-72 East, forcing that section of the expressway to be closed for three days.

Salling Dam on the upper reaches of the AuSable River mainstream may be replaced, removed or left as is and how much of what happens could

depend on how large an assessment of residents who live around the impound are willing to accept.

Granger Engineering of Gaylord has estimated that the cost of replacing the structure would be between \$130,000 and \$170,000 but the Department of Natural Resources has added some requirements that will raise that figure considerably.

The Grayling boys basketball team stomped Petoskey at home last Thursday 86-64 and beat Boyne City 66-50 on the road to keep their winning streak alive at five.

46 Years Ago

February 6, 1964

The queen of all winter queens will be crowned at the grand daddy of all Michigan Winter Sports

Carnivals at Grayling during the 39th Annual Grayling Winter Sports Carnival this weekend. Beauties from all parts of the state will be trying to win the most prized crown at the 39th annual carnival.

Another Grayling youngster racing in the United States Association Central Division Junior Alpine ski races brought home a medal. Mike Mason, racing in Class IV, took second place in the downhill event at a meet at Boyne Highlands. In a field of 23 juniors, Mike took sixth place in the giant slalom.

Mrs. Robert Bovee was awarded a Master of Arts degree in elementary teaching from Central Michigan University, on Jan. 26, in graduation exercises that were held at Finch Fieldhouse.

The Black and White Known as the Benedict School house, burned to the ground. Fire was discovered in the ceiling near the chimney soon after school had opened. By prompt action of the teacher, Mrs. Effie Henry, the children were able to leave in good order and save some of the books and furniture.

The coldest night of the year was registered here Monday night. The temperature reached 36 degrees below zero registered by the government weather station at Portage Lake.

was Linda Murphy and Ken Bradstreet; and Helen Babbit was for the 7th grade.

69 Years Ago

February 6, 1941

This year's throne at the winter sports park is a replica of the Statue of Liberty. It is a fine job of ice sculpting by Johnny Deckrow and is beautifully lighted. It required 7,000 cakes of ice to form the base. The outside is illuminated by flood lights and the torch is a flame.

Melvin Marshall purchased the Andrus home on Park Street and will use it for rental purposes.

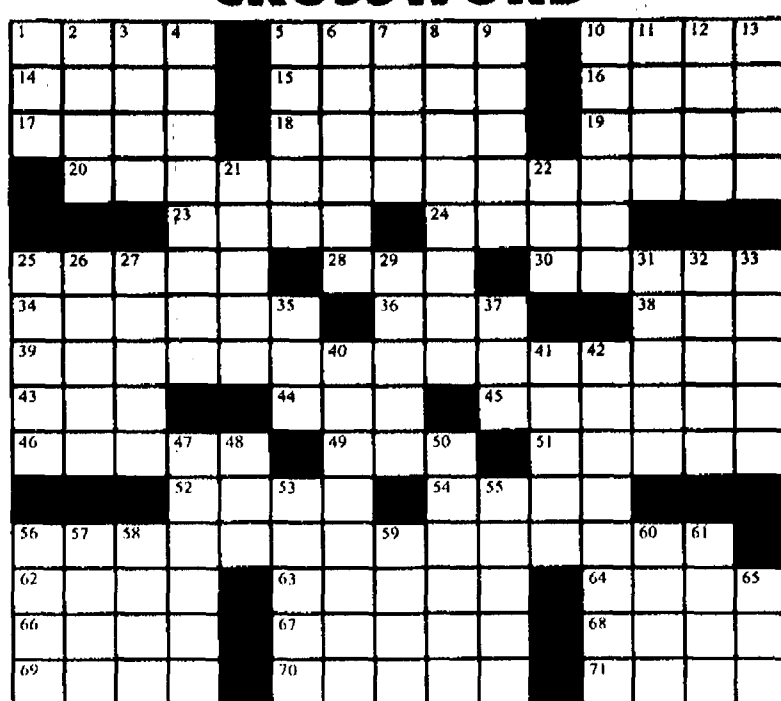
92 Years Ago

February 7, 1918

The school house in School District No. 1, Beaver Creek Township, known as the Benedict School house, burned to the ground. Fire was discovered in the ceiling near the chimney soon after school had opened. By prompt action of the teacher, Mrs. Effie Henry, the children were able to leave in good order and save some of the books and furniture.

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CROSSWORD



Across

1. Declines
5. Awakened
10. ... carotene
14. "Get ..."
15. Oblivion
16. "... happily ... after"
17. Apple variety
18. Golden Horde member
19. Weaken
20. By ultrasound
23. Hawaiian tuber
24. Reverse, e.g.
25. Too late
28. Government agency for medical research
30. Change, chemically
34. Spain and Portugal
36. Bleat
38. ... Appia
39. Pregnancy issue
43. Sticker
44. 20-20, e.g.
45. Old measure of capacity
46. Bucks
49. "... calls?"
51. Coach
52. Certain Scandinavian
54. The America's Cup trophy, e.g.
56. Angiospermous plants
62. "Your turn"
63. Kind of concerto
64. South American monkey
66. Artist Chagall
67. Questioner
68. Decorated, as a cake
69. ... gin fizz
70. File
71. Wild edible mushrooms

Down

1. 0000001 joule
2. Bridges of Los Angeles County
3. Event attended by Cinderella
4. Untidy woman
5. Church part
6. Justification
7. "Beetle Bailey" dog
8. Chinese seaport
9. Like "The X-Files"
10. Buyer
11. "... there is no ... angel but Love": Shakespeare
12. Be a snitch
13. Affectedly creative
21. Pie cuts, essentially
22. "Wheels"
25. Arms and legs
26. Circa
27. ... cotta
29. "A Doll's House" playwright
31. Deflect
32. Kid's name
33. Electric dart shooter
35. Amazon, e.g.
37. Appear
40. State of being abnormally large
41. Moved quickly
42. See circled squares
47. Unit of inertial force
48. Order to attack, with "on"
50. "Old ..."
53. Star bursts
55. Beat
56. Soccer
57. Elliptical
58. "I, Claudius" role
59. Bird
60. "Good going!"
61. Increase, with "up"
65. Driver's lic. and others

SUDOKU

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HOROSCOPES

For the week of February 4, 2010



CAPRICORN
December 22 - January 19
A new day is dawning. Capricorn, and it's time for you to shine. Go ahead. Let others see how talented you are. A chance meeting brings big dividends.



ARIES
March 21 - April 19
Enough of the pity party. Aries. Time to pick yourself up, dust yourself off and get going. You have more important fish to fry. An e-mail points you in the right direction.



CANCER
June 22 - July 22
Drumming up support for a concept proves difficult, but you manage it somehow. Cancer. A retail mix-up tests patience at home; thankfully, everyone survives.



LIBRA
September 23 - October 22
Your idea tanks at work, and it's back to the drawing board. A better concept will come, Libra. A mentor makes a promise they can't keep. Don't hold them responsible.



AQUARIUS
January 20 - February 18
You have what it takes, Aquarius, so don't be shy. Reach for the stars and you will manage the impossible. An invitation deserves special consideration.



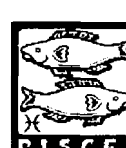
TAURUS
April 20 - May 20
Mission accomplished is your motto this week, Taurus. You will complete everything on your list and then some. A travel date is set.



LEO
July 23 - August 22
Promises are fulfilled, and golden opportunities emerge. Be thankful and seize all. Leo. You deserve it. Please for help at home do not fall on deaf ears.



SCORPIO
October 23 - November 21
You've tripped this path before, Scorpio. Time to get back to the basics and focus on the matter at hand. A family affair becomes one to remember.



PISCES
February 19 - March 20
The atmosphere at home has been glut, but that is all about to change with the arrival of a guest. Be gracious, Pisces. A financial glitch turns out in your favor.



GEMINI
May 21 - June 21
A colleague makes a proposal. Listen carefully, Gemini. All is not as it seems. A new do calls for a new wardrobe. Shop for deals and save big.



VIRGO
August 23 - September 22
Please, Virgo. You have done enough. Step aside and let someone take a stab at it. Financial freedom could be yours with some diligence and determination.



SAGITTARIUS
November 22 - December 21
A token of appreciation comes your way, Sagittarius, and you discover just how valuable you are. A family reunion occurs, where it belongs.

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RECIPE OF THE WEEK



SPICY SESAME BUFFALO CHICKEN WINGS

Ingredients:

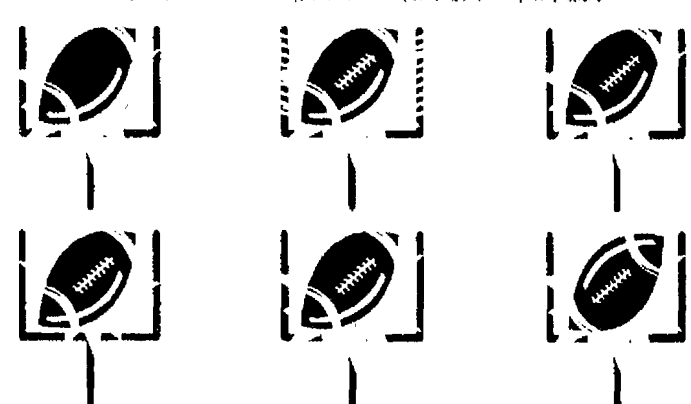
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| 1/4 cup sesame oil | 2 Tbsp. sliced green onions |
| 1 Tbsp. garlic salt | 2 lb. chicken wings, separated at joints, tips removed |
| 1 Tbsp. ground red pepper (cayenne) | 3/4 cup barbecue sauce (hot or mild) |
| 2 tsp. ground ginger | |

Directions: Combine oil, garlic salt, pepper and ginger in large resealable plastic bag. Add chicken; seal bag. Turn bag over several times to evenly coat chicken with the oil mixture. Refrigerate 30 min. to marinate. Preheat grill to medium-high heat. Remove chicken from marinade; discard marinade. Grill chicken 15 min., turning occasionally. Brush lightly with some of the barbecue sauce. Continue grilling 4 to 5 min. or until chicken is cooked through, turning and brushing frequently with the remaining barbecue sauce. Place chicken on serving platter; sprinkle with the onions.

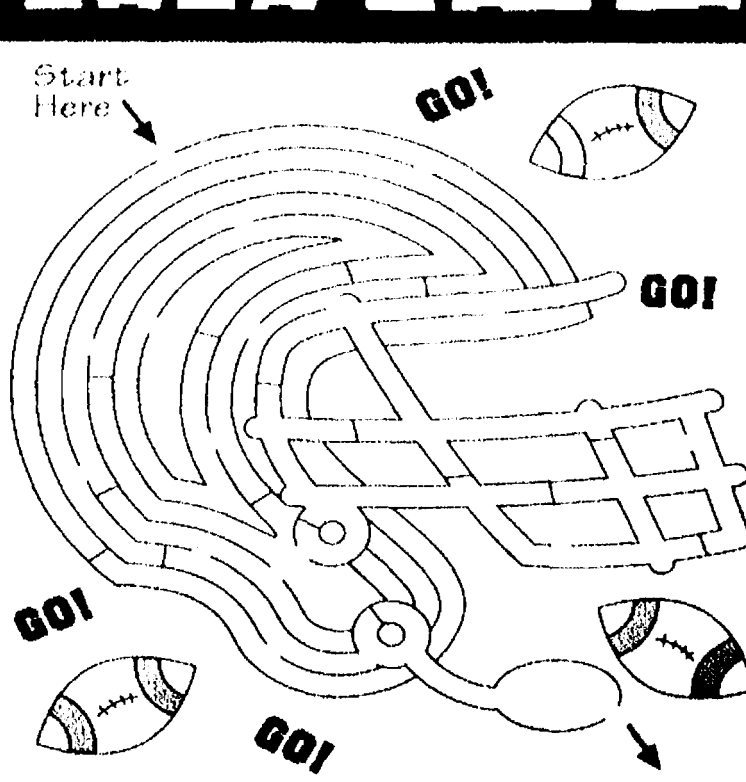
Prep Time: 10 min. Total Time: 1 hr.
Makes: 6 servings

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1. Real Estate

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Events
 AUTO PARTS SWAP MEET - Grand Rapids, Michigan, Delta-Plex, Sunday, February 14, 9-3pm. Wheels, Tires, Tools, Engine Parts and more. Buy-Sell-Trade. 260-483-6144.

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2. For Rent

TWO BEDROOM DUPLEX apartment located at 1029 Heather Lane, Grayling. Attached garage, snow plowing and lawn care included. Close to town and hospital. \$575 per month, plus deposit and utilities. Call Northwood Rentals 989 344-8787. (-4/2)

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NICE CLEAN TWO BEDROOM mobile with garage, washer/dryer and appliances. No pets. \$425 plus deposit. 348-2418. (-21-28-4-11/2)

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3. Employment

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8. Announcements

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ONGOING YOGA CLASSES with Kaye. Frederic Elementary. Thursday evenings 5:30 - 6:45. \$10 drop-in fee or \$50 for 6 weeks, 989 348-1722. (-28-4-11-18/8)

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8. Announcements

IN LOVING MEMORY Michele Louise Bergan-Marrocco. May 30, 1961 - Jan. 14, 2010. Michele you were and always will be my soul mate. Since the day I met you some 26 years ago, I have not loved another. Through thick and thin, we always came back to each others love. I am and always will be blessed by having loved and known you. Me, Jed, Baby and Buddy will miss you till we are called home also. At times like this, all my beliefs are pushed, pulled and tested. Michele, I know you are with our Father in heaven and I am so jealous of him. I feel as though the sun should never shine again. Nor should flowers bloom or birds sing. Then the sun shined and I realized God was so happy to have you in heaven that even though the cloudy day, his joy shined through. Michele, I will try to go on here without you and do right so I may see you again. But the loss of you has eroded a big part of me and I need God's blessing to endure another minute here without you and your love. I Love You Chele. Always and forever yours, Jeff Riker. (-4/8)

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11. Automotive

8. Announcements

2010 HUNTING HERITAGE BANQUET Sponsored by Beaver Creek Gobblers Chapter National Wild Turkey Federation Sanctioned. Saturday, Feb. 13, 2010, Roscommon K of C Hall. Social hour: 5:30 p.m. dinner/program: 6:30 p.m. For information, call Brian Brown, President 989 275-1426. (-4-11/8)

9. Personals

HAPPY BIRTHDAY PATTY LEGG! From the three J's (-4/9)

10. Garage Sales

A RUMMAGE SALE will be held at the Grayling Senior Center, located at 308 Lawndale St., on Feb. 7, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and on Feb. 8 and 9, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Stop by to see what treasures we have been holding in the basement. Some items include: metal shelves, metal 2 door cabinets, filing cabinets, coffee tables, organ and much, much more. (-4/10)

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Cross country ski race event slated for Feb. 20

The Grayling Recreation Authority, the governing body for Hanson Hills Recreation Area, will bolster its cross country ski race schedule this year with the Cote Dame Marie Ski Loppet – an event that will include a full day of cross country ski action for skiers of all levels.

The Cote Dame Marie Ski Loppet will include a Michigan Cup Division 30k freestyle points event race

and a 15k Citizens Race Division (with both freestyle and classic categories) for those new to racing.

The name "Cote Dame Marie" comes from a hill range located on the Hanson State Game Refuge/Camp Grayling Military Reservation, which refers to a battle in World War I aimed to break a German line of defense. The battle involved the 126th

Regiment out of Michigan and two hills – the Cote Dame Marie and the Cote de Chatillon.

"The Grayling Recreation Authority has conducted a cross country ski race at the Hanson Hills Recreation Area for more than 30 years," said Justin Andre, executive director of Hanson Hills. "In recent years the race has gained a reputation for excellent grooming and beautiful trails."

"This year we would like to start the process of growing the race into a major area event," Andre added. "We would like to capture some of Grayling's past reputation of being a major snow sport destination. Our approach is to expand the race schedule with races that not only attract the serious racers but also attract the citizen racers."

Entry fees are \$35 postmarked by Feb. 15 or \$38 through online registration. Fees for skiers 19 and under are \$20 (mail) and \$23 (online). Registration information for the race is available on the Internet at: www.graylingnordic.com/

Registration.html.

The Cote Dame Marie Ski Loppet will include a Post Race Awards Buffet Dinner at the Ramada Inn, the cost of which is included in the entry fee for the race.

Also, there will be a 2k Free Friday Night Kids Race at the Ramada Inn/Cross Country Ski Shop on Friday, Feb. 19. On Sunday, Feb. 21, the Grayling Recreation Authority will host the Hanson Hills Classic, a 12k race that will feature interval starts based on age groups.

For more information on the Cote Dame Marie Ski Loppet, check out the event's official Web site: www.graylingnordic.com.

Also, to conduct a successful race, the Grayling Recreational Authority will need the community's help in providing volunteers. Those interested in volunteering should contact the Hanson Hills Recreation Area by phone at 348-9266 or mail at friendsofhansonhills@gmail.com or at www.graylingnordic.com.



Grayling Recreation Authority, the governing body for Hanson Hills Recreation Area, will bolster its cross country ski race schedule this year with the Cote Dame Marie Ski Loppet – an event that will include a full day of cross country ski action for skiers of all levels. Above, cross country skiers take part in some fierce competition during a recent race held at Hanson Hills.

Nature Center upgrades OK'd

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

The Grayling City Council, last week, approved upgrades that will make the city's Nature Center and AuSable River Park more user friendly for techies.

The council agreed to have wireless Internet and broadband cable service added at the Nature Center.

The Nature Center was developed after the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library opened in 2001.

Grayling received a \$349,000 Department of Natural Resources grant to remodel and rehabilitate the building, install rest rooms for AuSable River Park users, make the facility American With Disabilities Act compliant and create more parking for the Nature Center and the park. The cost of the overall project was \$600,000.

The goal of the Nature Center is to highlight the AuSable River and Manistee River, and the community's history tied to the lumber industry, trout fishing and canoe racing.

The building is also available for groups and organizations to hold meeting and events.

"We hope that adding the Internet and cable service will promote the better utilization of the Nature Center for governmental agencies and non-profit groups," said Grayling City Manager David Thayer.

In addition, the wireless Internet service will allow people with laptop computers to do research, check e-mails and check in with social network websites while in the park.

Last year, Thayer said the city donated some wireless Internet service equipment to the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce, which has its offices located next to the park.

Thayer said that equipment allowed limited access to the Internet, and the new equipment should allow people to connect to the Internet in the park's pavilion and in the park itself.

"This will ensure that we have good coverage in the park at both ends," Thayer said.

Thayer was able to negotiate the price for the cable and Internet services price down to less than \$60 per month since the city has a franchise agreement with Charter Cable has to provide services in Grayling.

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